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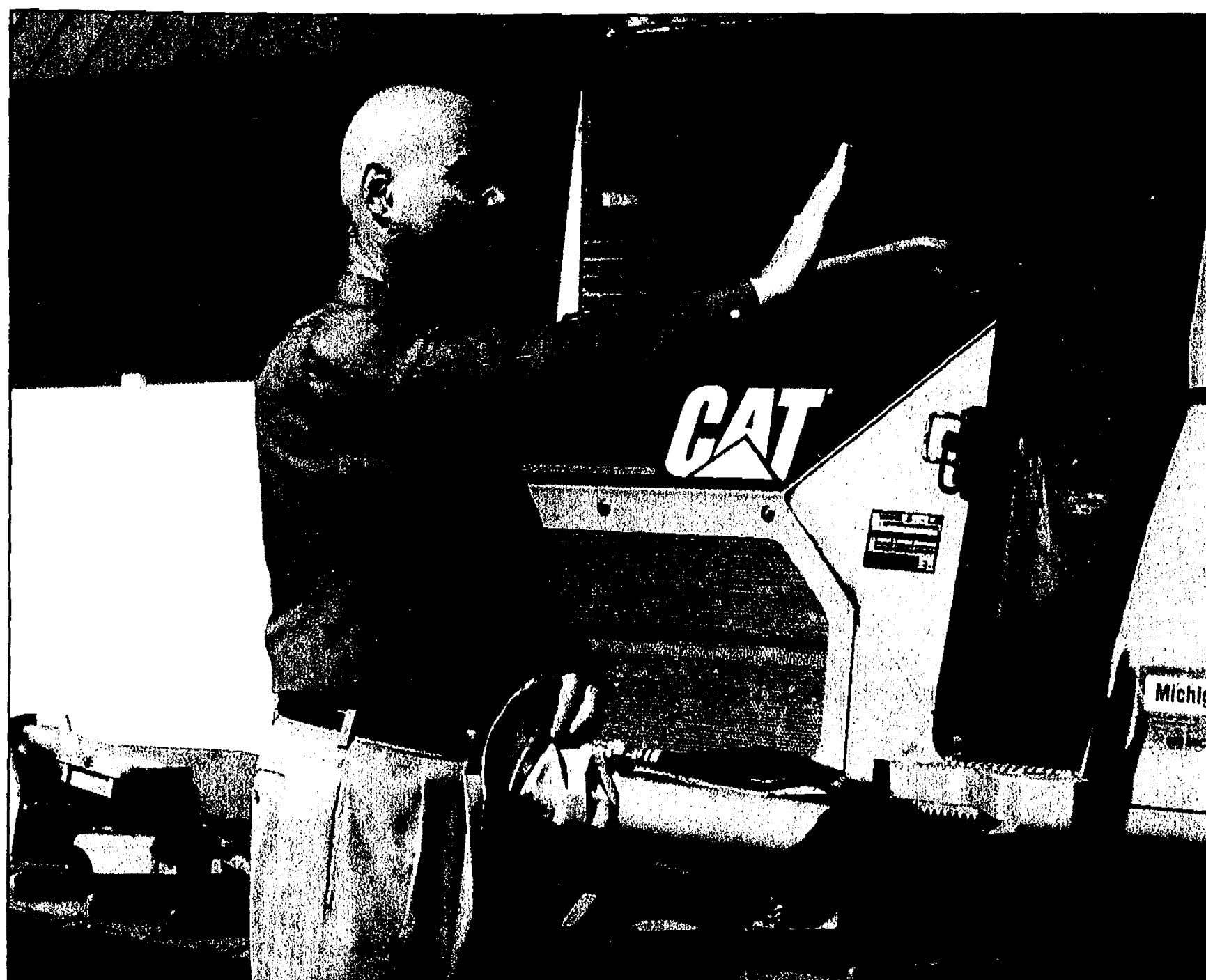


Photo by Dan Sanderson

The Grayling Uptown District Association (GUDA) held a Blessing of the Dozers ceremony on Michigan Avenue on Saturday for the \$1.3 million streetscape project. The ceremony was held to ensure the safety of the construction workers and success of the project. Dr. Bill Cargo, the pastor of the Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, officiated at the ceremony. Cargo, pictured above, said during the blessing: "Almighty God, master of construction, bless these dozers. That they may clear the way for a new beginning in Grayling, strengthening hospitality, growing neighborliness and increasing prosperity. Amen."

Five candidates vying for Grayling City Council

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

Five people are running for three seats on the Grayling City Council.

Incumbents Lawrence "Larry" Akers and Kim McClain are being challenged by city residents Steve Anderson, Charles Armstrong and Cathy McGuire on the city's Nov. 6 election ballot.

City council member Dennis Robinson, who was appointed to fill an expired term on the council in February, opted not to run for re-election.

Overall, job creation, economic development, community beautification and the Main Street America, Inc. theme park, proposed to developed south of the city, were issues raised by the candidates.

Following is a short profile on the candidates vying for the three four-year seats, why they are running for the council and the issues they think city officials will need to address.

Akers, the current Grayling mayor, has served the last four years on the council, and has previously served eight additional years on the city panel.

Akers, 56, is the central dispatch and emergency management director for Crawford County.

Akers said he wants to continue giving his time and efforts to the community on the city council.

cil.

"I enjoy the position, and I want to continue with the projects that are developing and will continue to develop within the city," Akers said.

Akers said that housing was the top issue that officials need to address at the city council table.

"We need more affordable housing and single-family housing," he said.

The continued revitalization of the downtown business district, following the city's streetscape project, is one of the next issues the city council will need to address, Akers said.

"We need to bring in more businesses and get the downtown stores filled," Akers said.

In conjunction with addressing downtown, Akers said the council needs to focus on job creation.

"We want to keep the youth that are here - here in the community," Akers said.

Anderson, 52, is a retired Michigan Department of Corrections counselor, who worked at Camp Lehman in Grayling Township.

Anderson said he is running for the council to clean up the town.

"I want to clean up the blight that is all around, I want to get people to clean up all the junk

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Frederic World War II veteran featured in film

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

A Frederic native is being featured in a documentary telling the stories of World War II veterans.

Bennie Allen is included in a documentary produced by the Lansing based WKAR Radio & TV, a public broadcast station, called "The War - Michigan Voices."

The documentary was done in conjunction with a film that is now airing by Ken Burns, called "The War," which features World War II veterans from four small towns located throughout the nation.

Allen grew up in Frederic, and enlisted in the Navy when he was 17-years old, just prior to graduating from Grayling High School in 1945. Allen also married his wife, Betty Smith Allen, who grew up at Camp Grayling, prior to going off to war. Allen was the president of his graduating class, and Betty was the class secretary.

Allen served on the USS Thatcher, which was part of the Little Beaver Squadron, one of the most decorated squadrons in U.S. Naval history, having received 12 battle stars and a

Presidential citation.

While serving on picket duty, which involved escorting naval battle fleets, the USS Thatcher was heavily damaged by a kamikaze pilot, resulting in the loss of 14 sailors. An additional 56 sailors were injured, with a third of the ship's 300 crew members being killed or wounded.

Allen manned a 40-millimeter anti-aircraft gun on the vessel. As the kamikaze pilots were attacking the ship, he and fellow sailors fled to the interior of the ship, where he was in charge of manning a five-inch gun.

Allen said the sailors were ordered to stay imbedded in the ship for several hours, fearing more attacks and bombings, until they came out to recover the wounded and the dead.

"We were like dead in the water," he said. "We thought we had it and we would never get out of there alive."

A kamikaze pilot hit the ship again on July 19, but skimmed off the side of the vessel, resulting in minimal damage and casualties.

The plane sprayed a green

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Bennie Allen is included in a documentary produced by the Lansing based WKAR Radio & TV, a public broadcast station, called "The War - Michigan Voices." Allen, pictured in his Navy uniform above, grew up in Frederic, and enlisted in the Navy when he was 17-years old, just prior to graduating from Grayling High School in 1945.

Grayling Lions seek to start youth club

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

Grayling Lions members are seeking a few cubs to start a new youth organization to serve the community and the organization's goals.

The Grayling Lions Club is planning to start an Alpha Leo Club in the community.

Alpha Leo Clubs are for young people, male or female, between the ages of 12 and 18-years-old.

The clubs are involved in community service projects and social events, receiving training in skills such as character development, leadership, networking and project management.

The goal of the Lions Club is to serve the community, with the primary focus to serve the blind.

The Alpha Leo Club would assist the Lions Club with their state and community projects, and will also spearhead their own initiatives.

The youth club would also help elderly residents mow their lawns, shovel snow and do other errands.

"Anything to help the community is what they would do, just like with us," said William Fitch,

a Lion's Club member and a past club president. "With this fast-paced world today, people just don't have time to help."

The club may also be involved in taking hiking trips and doing other fund-raisers to benefit the community.

"A lot of it depends on the students, because we don't want to force anything on them that they don't want to do," said Bob Prause, the first vice president for the Grayling Lions Club.

The Alpha Leo Club would have their own vests to wear at events, including community parades.

"It would be sharp if they were marching in our parades," Prause said.

The Grayling Lions Club is part of the Lion's District 11E2, which includes a 17-county area that stretches from Standish to the Mackinac Bridge. There are no Alpha Leo Clubs currently serving the district.

"If we get this going, it will be the first Lions Club in the district to do this in years," Fitch said.

There are 1,700 Alpha Leo

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Outdoor quilt show dazzles visitors



Photo by Dan Sanderson

The Icehouse Quilt Shop held an outdoor quilt show on Saturday at the Hanson House, the home of Jill and Dave Wyman, the former owners of the quilt shop now owned and operated by their daughter, Ali Baynham. Above, Karen Mason, from Cincinnati, visited the quilt show while she was staying in Grayling, on her way to a vacation on Mackinac Island.

Construction manager hired for theme park

Main Street America Inc., a planned amusement park proposed south of Grayling, has selected the Alpena-based DeVere Construction Company as construction manager for the entire 1,800 acre project.

Under the signed agreement, DeVere Construction will oversee all of the electrical, civil, mechanical and structural engineering for the entire project.

In addition, DeVere will provide a management guaranteed maximum price based upon a bid process and a guarantee completion bond.

As part of this agreement, DeVere will become an equity shareholder in Main Street America Inc.

"The signing of this agreement is the first, major step in moving this monumental project forward," said Patrick Crosson, project manager for Main Street America. "DeVere is a highly respected international construction company and we're thrilled to have them as our construction

partner."

DeVere Construction has been doing major projects in the Grayling area since 1979, when it first constructed the Weyerhaeuser and Georgia Pacific plants neighboring the Main Street America site.

"We are honored to have the opportunity to work with Main Street America in adding this wonderful family venue to the Midwest," stated Richard Crittenden, president of DeVere. "We are pleased to be continuing our work in the Grayling Community."

Main Street America is under development in Grayling, located off of I-75 and Four Mile Road.

Main Street America is set to become the leading family venue in the Midwest. It will be the country's only four season theme park.

Since 1967 DeVere Construction has been involved in the construction industry and is a third generation construction specialist with corporate offices in Alpena.

DeVere is diversified in the types of construction projects and services it provides.

While DeVere calls Michigan home, the company has also completed projects in 19 states and three foreign countries and has provided research and development services throughout the Caribbean Islands.

County pledges funds for tennis court rehab

by Dan Sanderson
 Staff Writer

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners, last week, returned the equivalent of a financial volley to Crawford AuSable School District for the high school's tennis court repairs.

The board, at its monthly ways and means committee meeting, agreed to give \$5,000 to the Crawford AuSable School District to finish a facelift on the tennis courts.

Half the funds will come from the county's economic development funds, while the remaining funds will come from a fund earmarked for environmental projects.

Mike Dunckel, the Crawford AuSable School District's business manager, said the surface of the court's have cracked due to the age of the materials and the beating the surface takes during hard winters.

In addition, roots from a nearby tree line have been growing underneath the surface, further uprooting the courts.

The cracks cause tennis balls to veer off the playing surface.

"They are just old and hard to use," Dunckel said.

School administrators and Crawford AuSable School Board of Education members have fielded a number of requests to have the courts repaired.

Over 90 percent of the tennis court is used by members of the community, especially during the weekends, Dunckel said.

The school district's tennis teams are also seeing increased participation, as they have been switched to fielding co-ed teams this fall, said Tim Sanchez, the athletic director for Crawford AuSable Schools.

Half of the six courts have been repaired. The roots from the trees have been rerouted so they should no longer be an issue.

School officials sought financial support from the county to finish the job on the remaining tennis courts.

It will cost \$30,000 for the entire rehabilitation project on the courts.

"They are in really bad shape, and a couple of them are really bad," County Commissioner Mike Lange said.

County Commissioner Rick Anderson agreed, suggesting the school district also seek funding support from the Grayling City Council and the Charter Township of Grayling Board of Trustees to support community recreation.

"You can hardly play on them," Anderson said.

Tennis Court Services of Gaylord has been hired to do the work. They will fill cracks with a composite material, and replace the concrete where there are larger cracks and seal the surface on the courts.

Grayling resident Mary Ruth Lowe, an avid tennis player who plays with a handful of other couples in the community, said she is pleased that the county supported the initiative to repair the courts for adults and student athletes.

"When kids leave high school, the likelihood of them playing team sports is pretty slim, but they can play tennis all of their lives," Lowe said.

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Seniors set up students with school supplies



As part of a community service project, the Resident Council of Mercy Manor gave school supplies to 30 children of staff members who work at the facility on Aug. 31, in time for the start of the school year. The children were invited to the nursing home for an ice cream social with the residents, who passed out the gifts afterwards. Above, Mercy Manor residents Susan Gedeon and Hannah Lippard are pictured with Mitchell Thompson, a Grayling Middle School student, who received a three-ring binder, colored pencils, paper and a ruler to use in the classroom.

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around town," he said.

If the theme park comes to fruition, Anderson said officials need to plan for additional traffic by possibly creating additional exits north and south of the city.

"I saw what happened to Gaylord because all of the growth, and I would like to see if there is some way that doesn't happen to Grayling," Anderson said.

Anderson said he believes that cleaning up blight, trash and junk cars will help attract business to Grayling.

"We need to make Grayling more appealing to business owners," Anderson said.

Anderson said the city council should also work creatively with the state to create jobs.

"We need to work with the state to offer tax breaks and incentives to make businesses want to come to Grayling," Anderson said.

Armstrong, 52, is a contractor who provides vending machine services at local Michigan Department of Transportation rest areas.

Armstrong said filling downtown stores and serving the needs of the community spurred him to run for the council.

"I feel that I can do as well for the community as those that are

in there now," Armstrong claimed.

Job creation was the top issue cited by Armstrong for the city council.

"Most every place is hurting, but we certainly need to bring opportunities to Grayling so we have something to leave to our children," he said.

Armstrong said he would like to see the youth of the community get involved with projects to help the elderly and maintain the Elmwood Cemetery.

"I don't feel the youth in our community are involved in a proactive direction such as that," he said.

Armstrong also said he would like to see Grayling maintain its small town atmosphere.

"In the long run, I would like to see Grayling and the surrounding areas left as natural as possible," he said. "We need to keep growth at a steady pace, and see where it's going before it gets out of hand."

McClain, 48, is the escrow account manager for the Crawford County Title Company.

McClain is finishing her first four-year term on the council, and wants to continue serving the community.

"I think the city is moving in the right direction, and I would

like to see all the projects and issues that we've been working on through to completion," McClain said.

Keeping the city budget in line was a top issue for the council, McClain said.

"We're in good shape now and we need to keep it that way by balancing our spending with our priorities," McClain said.

Recruiting businesses was another priority.

"We just need to bring jobs to town, whether retail or industry, we're looking at it all," McClain said.

Cleaning up the community would help draw additional residents, businesses and visitors to Grayling, McClain said.

"If we can continue to clean the town up by working with our zoning, residents and businesses, I don't think it would take that much to improve the appearance of our community," McClain said. "Residents and visitors will both bring dollars to the community."

McGuire, 52, is the member services representative for the Northland Credit Union. She said she simply wanted to run for the council to get an insight on issues that face Grayling.

McGuire said the financial background of Patrick Crosson, the project manager for the Main

Street America, Inc, needs to be addressed by city officials.

Crosson was involved in the initial financing for a theme park proposed near Indiana, which ended in bankruptcy in the 1990s. Crosson also recently went through personal bankruptcy action.

"It needs to be investigated, because the theme park is a big deal for everybody around here," she said.

McGuire also wants to address murals that were recently painted in downtown Grayling, which city officials said violated the sign ordinance.

"I realize that there has to be standards and limits, but they also make Grayling look better, so I would like to see if there is a way to allow the murals," McGuire said.

Finally, McGuire said she would like to investigate the relationship between Grayling City Manager David Thayer and the Grayling City Police officers, who are working without a contract, to end the stalemate.

"I would really like to see what's going on there to see if we can rectify any problems," McGuire said.

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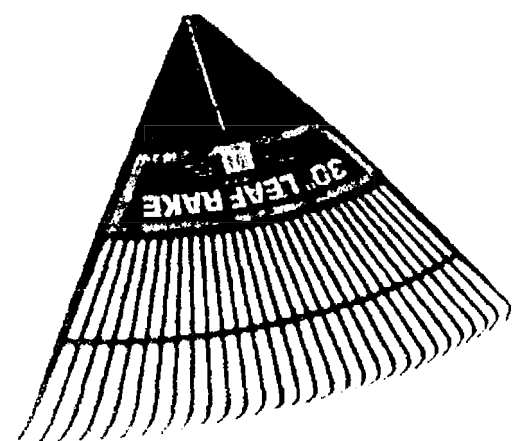


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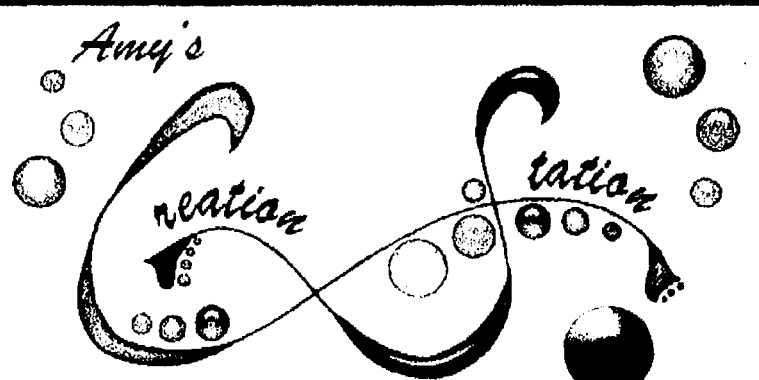


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Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield said that deputies from the Montmorency and Crawford County Sheriff's Offices responded to the accident, which occurred at the intersection of County Road 612 and Jack Pine Plains Road in Lovells Township, at 7:01 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 5.

Paul Inman, of Farmington Hills, who was a seasonal Lovells resident, was pronounced dead at the scene. Inman was ejected from his vehicle in the accident, which remains under investigation.

Emergency service personnel from the Lovells Township Fire Department, Frederic Township EMS and Mobile Medical Response EMS also responded to the scene.

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OPINIONS



ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

Michigan takes center stage in presidential flurry

FINALLY, AFTER several years of complaining about America's political system to select candidates for president, Michigan has its wish.

Michigan voters will cast ballots on Jan. 15 and actually take part in the presidential nomination process after a bipartisan effort pushed a new presidential primary law through the legislature.

Gone — at least for this time around — are the laments that by the time Michigan's two major parties get around to holding a caucus or a convention or a primary, it's too late to mean anything because a handful of small states already have made the decisions.

The Florida legislature also pushed the Florida primary toward the front of the process, setting a state primary on Jan. 29, but Michigan moved two weeks ahead of that.

Michigan's new primary doesn't please everybody. Primary voters must declare which party ballot they want. Their names will be listed by party and these lists will be provided to the respective party organizations, but not to the public.

Many voters don't want to declare any

partisan allegiance, which may chase some away from the election.

Estimated cost of the Michigan primary is about \$10 million, which is another questionable feature, especially in light of continuing state budget crises and gaping deficits. Local officials as usual will conduct the primary, and the state will reimburse most of the cost to local units.

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NEW HAMPSHIRE long has been sanctified as the first state in the land to pick presidents — or shoot down hopefuls — through its presidential primary. Dixville Notch, a resort village with a dozen or so voters in the far north of New Hampshire, has historical value as the first voting precinct in the nation to register its choice.

If Dixville Notch casts six votes for Smith and four for Jones, that's supposed to forecast that Smith will be the next president.

Why is New Hampshire so important? There's no logical reason only tradition.

The Iowa party caucuses have achieved almost equal reverence with

New Hampshire. National party leaders, in a feeble attempt to broaden the selection process, more recently added South Carolina and Nevada to the early selection mix. None of these early nominating states is representative of the country as a whole, which is an example of why the whole system is fouled up.

As an aside, in the 1968 presidential primary season, I worked as a press aide in the presidential campaign of Gov. George Romney (that's the late Gov. George Romney of Michigan, not to be confused with his son and 2008 candidate, ex-Gov. Mitt Romney of Massachusetts). In the 1968 campaign, the New Hampshire primary was first, and the Wisconsin primary closely followed and was equally as important. George Romney campaigned heavily in both states; Iowa was nowhere to be found. I don't know why Wisconsin phased out and Iowa emerged, but a lot can happen in 40 years.

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MICHIGAN DEMOCRATIC Sen. Carl Levin has been in the vanguard of the struggle to broaden the nominating process and to give Michigan a mean-

ingful shot at it. Michigan Republicans only lately joined the charge.

Although bi-partisanship finally pushed Michigan into prominence, Sen. Levin and his Democratic allies deserve the bulk of the credit — or blame — for the new primary.

As it turns out, Democrats might consider the old adage: Be careful what you seek, because you may find it. Now that Michigan has a presidential primary, the top Democratic candidates have pledged not to campaign here, leaving the state wide open for an expected flurry of Republican candidate activity.

The national Democratic party may ban Michigan delegates from next year's nominating convention in Denver if Michigan's jumps ahead of New Hampshire or Iowa. The national Republican party has threatened to cut Michigan's strength at the GOP convention next year in Minneapolis-St. Paul for the same reason. Both edicts could be rescinded, of course.

Because of its jump forward, Florida faces the same possible party sanctions.

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HERE'S THE WAY the calendar

stands as of this week:

Iowa caucuses in early January, or maybe even in December; Wyoming Republican caucuses (another interloper) on Jan. 5; New Hampshire primary on Jan. 8; Michigan primary Jan. 15; Nevada caucuses, South Carolina Republican primary Jan. 19; Florida primary, South Carolina Democratic primary Jan. 29; primaries, caucuses, conventions or other selection processes in 19 other states including California, New York, New Jersey and Illinois, February 5.

By then it all should be over.

Of course, there's still time for other states to get into the moving up act, but unless legal challenges or other unforeseen blockades come into play, when the decision on presidential candidates is made, Michigan voters will have had the chance to say something meaningful about the candidates they want in the White House.

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Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

EDITOR

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THE EDITOR"
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I walked with the octogenarian

To the editor:

On Sept. 7, I had the pleasure of walking a few miles beside (not in) the shoes of an octogenarian, 88 year old Clayton Klein. He is walking from Paradise to Hell and beyond. This is his fourth trip of this type, but he is not just four years into his walking experiences. He started walking in 1966, ordered to do so to help clear up a back condition. He began doing longer and longer trips. He now walks about four miles every day, but sometimes farther, as now. He is dedicating this walk to the Hospice of Michigan organization. Donation envelopes were placed all along his route. I took the liberty of picking up one at the Silver Dollar Bar.

We walked only about six miles together, but that was plenty long enough to find out what a fascinating and marvelous fellow he is. Not only is he a walker, he is a canoe paddler, as well. He is the author of seven books thus far. We parted company in the Higgins Lake area. He headed 11 more miles on down Old 27 to the Sands Resort in the Houghton Lake area, where he intended to spend the night.

He keeps track of the daily distance he walks. Currently, it totals over 52,000 miles. I hope he makes it back next year. He pledges to do so, and after matching his pace a few miles, I'm quite sure he will be capable.

Chuck Gosling
Grayling

The neighborhood is watching

To the editor:

I do not appreciate the people who are dropping their cats and kittens off around the Roberts Rd., Helen, Warner, Dawn Drive and Lewiston Grade road.

I have had three stray cats the past two years. Then, June of this summer, a mama cat with two baby kittens, just barely six weeks old, showed up at our front door crying because they were hungry. I don't mind taking care of an animal and I will

not let one starve, but if you can't take care of an animal, cat, dog or whatever, don't bother getting one.

Just two days ago, I had another kitten show up. When does it stop? When you get caught? Did you know that it is against the law to drop an animal off?

The neighborhood is watching you. If we catch you, we will turn you in.

Sherri Abney
Grayling

Local judges support Shawano and Nokomis

To the editor:

As judges of the local circuit and family court system, we read with interest the letter submitted last week by Mr. Borton regarding the plan to close two local state facilities that house juvenile delinquents. We agree with Borton that this plan will have a negative impact on our communities in several respects.

First and foremost is the fact that Shawano Center and Nokomis Challenge Center take children that are often rejected or ejected by private agency facilities. These two state facilities provide daily, round the clock treatment for the most difficult youth whose problems are often beyond the treatment capacity of private facility placements. Additionally, the families of the northern Michigan youth placed at Shawano and Nokomis can

visit and actively be involved in the treatment of their children as opposed to traveling long distances to downstate residential placements.

Secondly, the argument that closing these facilities will save state taxpayer dollars is a fallacy. The children in these facilities will not simply disappear when the doors close. They will either be transferred to a private facility where the costs are similar for state and local governments or to the Maxey state facility in Whitmore Lake, where the cost for each youth is currently \$553.46 per day. Some may be released into local, northern Michigan communities before their treatment program can be properly completed, thereby increasing the risk of repeat offenders.

Finally, closing Shawano and

Nokomis will result in the layoff or displacement of nearly 100 employees who work at these facilities and have a significant impact on the local economies. In addition to maintaining the financial benefits that accompany professional jobs, most of the employees and their families actively participate in our schools, churches and local organizations. These state employees have supported our communities for many years now and it is time for us to support them. Please contact your local state representative and senator to voice your opinion on this critical issue.

Monte J. Burmeister,
Crawford County Family
Court Judge,
Janet M. Allen Circuit
Court Judge, and Dennis F.
Murphy, Circuit Court Judge

It's easy to be negative, how about doing something positive

To the editor:

I am not taking a stand for or against the proposed theme park. I'll wait until all the information is complete. I do resent the letters that have been published stating flatly that it would be a bad thing for Grayling. Almost without exception, these letters have been written by people who spend very little time in Grayling. They don't live or work here, they just come up a few times a year to enjoy their property, and whatever their favorite pastime is, and then they go home. Mostly, they return home to good jobs with good pay. They return home and spend their money in that area where they live. Many of them barely come to town to buy groceries, they bring them along in coolers.

There are those of us who have lived here a long time. We love

Grayling and we work hard for Grayling. We belong to volunteer organizations who try to make Grayling a better place. We send our children to school, we go to church, and for the most part, we shop in town. We try to make a living. We've seen Grayling change from a bustling little town to a place where our wonderful, enterprising shop owners are struggling to make ends meet, and there are too many empty store fronts and buildings.

What makes me angry is that not one of the people who have written letters against the theme park have come up with an alternative. They are so vociferous about what they don't want. Now how about some ideas, and or suggestions, that would help Grayling survive. How about spending some time working with the Economic Development

Council? How about volunteering to work with the Chamber? How about using some of their contacts to urge a clean industry and or business to come to Grayling.

It's easy to be negative, how about doing something positive? How about helping? Remember, if you're not part of the solution, you're part of the problem.

I believe the members of the Board and Planning Commission of Grayling Township will do what they think is right. In the meantime, let's hear from these people about what they would suggest as a way to bring back excitement to our town. And, let's see if they are willing to put their effort and their money where their mouth is.

Betty Bennett
Grayling

Still hoping on Lake Street

To the editor:

Several weeks ago, I wrote a letter complaining about families in Grayling not taking pride in their homes' appearance. While writing the letter, I singled out one home in particular, that being the home that sits across the street from my residence.

Soon after my letter was published, droves of people contacted me to say that they agreed with my statements and thanked me for addressing the issue. Well, as you know this issue is still unresolved. Lawns are unkempt, cars parked beside buildings with grass growing around them, trash in yards, and the list goes on and on.

There is still one home that I am still concerned about, the eyesore that sits 75 feet from my picture window. I did see the landlord looking at it shortly after my letter was published and I was so excited, thinking new siding was in the future. Unfortunately, for me, he must work seven days a week and is too busy to be concerned about his rental.

So, another summer goes by and the insulation and nails still remain. Let me see, I do believe this is the sixth or seventh year I've waited for this miracle to happen, or have I lost count? I know you haven't lost count of all the rent money you have received. My husband died waiting, please, don't let me.

Gayle McClain
Grayling

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BRIEFS

Blood drive to be held

The American Red Cross will hold a blood drive on Monday, Sept. 17, from 9 a.m. - 2:45 p.m., at Mercy Hospital, Grayling.

Child identification program to be held

The Michigan Child Identification Program or MICHIP, will be at the Grayling Middle School, 500 Spruce St., on Saturday, Sept. 15, from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. A CD will be issued to parents or guardians which contains a color photo, fingerprint record, dental impression, DNA swab, voice print and child interview. Parents must be present and sign a permission slip. The program is provided free of charge by the Michigan Masons of Grayling.

COA to visit cider mill and winery

The Senior Center will be taking a trip to Uncle John's Cider Mill & Winery. There will be fresh donuts, apple cider, and wine tasting, with lunch at the Pie Barn/Bakery. Watch them press fresh cider and tour the farm by wagon. There will be antique shopping along the way home. Cost for the trip is \$13, the bus leaves the center at 9 a.m. Call for reservations.

Fall road clean-up to be held

Lovells Hook and Trigger Club will have its fall road clean-up, Wednesday, Sept. 19. Meet at the township hall at 9:30 a.m., for coffee and donuts. Pick up begins at 10 a.m. All are invited to help. For information, call Bob Chumack at 348-8514.

Straits Area Ostomy Assoc. to meet

The Straits Area Ostomy Association will hold its regular meeting on Sunday, Sept. 16, at 2 p.m., in the medical library of War Memorial Hospital, Sault Ste. Marie. All ostomates and interested persons are invited. Call 989-821-5721 for information.

Viking band to hold band day

The Grayling Viking Band, will hold Band Day, on Saturday, Sept. 15, from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Band students will be washing cars at Glen's Market and at Diane's Car Wash, proceeds will benefit the activities of the Grayling Viking Bands. There will also be a hot dog, cotton candy and baked goods sale in Glen's parking lot. A can drive collection of returnable cans will be accepted at both locations.

Grayling O.E.S. to hold pasty sale

The Grayling O.E.S. #83 will hold their annual pasty sale Sept. 13 - 18. Cost is \$4 per pasty. To place an order or for any questions, call Nye Shaw at 989-348-4734 or Jerry Bramble at 989-344-8035.

Christian Help center in need

The Christian Help Center is in need of food donations from families, churches and the community. The center is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. For information, call 348-6046.

GHS to hold alumni banquet

The Grayling High School Alumni Association Annual Banquet will be held on Saturday, Sept. 22, at the Ramada Inn, Grayling. The reception begins at 5:30 p.m., buffet dinner at 7 p.m.

Bowling assoc. seeking applicant

The Grayling USBC Bowling Association is seeking an applicant for the position of association manager. Applications are available at Legion Lanes or by calling, Roger Moshier at 390-1604. Application deadline is Sept. 19.

GPA taking reservations for tree festival

The Grayling Promotional Association is accepting reservations for the 2nd Annual Festival of Trees raffle. There are a limited number of trees remaining. The festival runs from Saturday, Nov. 10 through Sunday, Nov. 18. For more information, call April Bertram at 348-5725 or Senga Hornsey at 348-0144.

International Day of Peace to be celebrated

The International Day of Peace will be celebrated in Grayling, on Friday, Sept. 21. To honor this event, school students will create Peace Pin Wheels and place them in public locations. Mercy Hospital has placed a new Peace Cross at the entrance to the hospital and St. Mary's Church will host an interfaith gathering at 7 p.m. All are welcome.

Child care information session to be held

A Child Care Information Session for anyone interested in becoming a licensed/registered child care provider will be held at the Michigan Works! building, 4595 Salling, Grayling, on Sept. 24, from 1 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. This session is offered by Child and Family Services 4C. If interested, call Nancy Kersey at 989-344-3080, before Sept. 21.

Youth bowling leagues to start

The youth bowling leagues will start Oct. 15, at the American Legion, Grayling. Registration will be held on Saturday, Sept. 15 and 29, between 9 a.m. - 12 p.m., at the Legion. Questions, call 348-7232 or 989-390-2603, ask for Sharon.

Men's pool league meeting to be held

The meeting of the men's pool league for captains and other interested persons will be held at the American Legion on Sept. 17, at 7 p.m. Questions, call 348-2466.

Church to feature musical artist

The Grayling Free Methodist Church, will feature blind musician and internationally acclaimed recording artist, James Gale, on Sunday, Sept. 16, at 8:30 a.m., 11 a.m., and a special concert at 6 p.m.

RAFFLE WINNERS

Grayling Youth Booster Club

The 50/50 raffle winners for Sept. 9 of \$25 each: Paul VanMill, Charlie Schoen, Ted Stephan and Larry McDee.

Grayling Lions Club

The winner of the Grayling Lions Club Lucky 13 raffle for \$100 is: Dodie Steffes.

City planning commission to host forum

The City of Grayling Planning Commission will host a public forum to receive input for the new Master Plan they are writing.

The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 17, in Council Chambers at City Hall.

The Commission is interested in hearing public views on how Grayling should look in five to 20 years from today. The new Master Plan will provide direction for policies that address growth and development.

The Master Plan also provides the basis for the city's zoning ordinance.

Another avenue for public input is the community survey that mailed last week to all water customers. City officials encourage citizens to fill out the questionnaire and return it by Sept. 20, to City Hall.

"The more public input the Commission receives the closer the Master Plan will represent public opinion," said Grayling City Manager David Thayer.

Hunter's Safety School offered

Deputy Jason Alexander of the Crawford County Sheriff's Office will conduct a complimentary Hunter's Safety School that runs from Saturday, Oct. 13, to Sunday, Oct. 14.

The school will be held at the Grayling Township Fire Department, located at 1041 City Boulevard.

The school will be from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, and from 8:30 a.m. to noon on Sunday.

Participants should be at least 12-years-old.

Upon successful completion

of the school, participants will receive a Michigan Hunter's Safety Certificate.

A lunch break will be held on Saturday, and Sheriff Kirk Wakefield suggests that all participants bring a bag lunch and a drink.

The Sheriff's Office is limiting the class to the first 40 participants, who must register by calling Theresa Andrews at 344-3213 from 8 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The deadline for registration is Friday, Sept. 21.

RANGE FIRING

Range firing scheduled for the period of Sept. 13 - 19 is as follows:

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.) will be conducting live and inert bombing operations by the Air National Guard during Sept. 13 - 14 and Sept. 17-19.

The Range 40 Complex, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Sherman Rd., south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.) will be conducting small arms live fire. Sept. 6 - 8.

Small Arms Ranges located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Rd., east of the gas pipeline and south of Portage Creek. Sept. 13 - 19.

Range 17, Hand Grenade Range located south of the main post, north of Carrier Rd., east of Range 13 and west of Beaver Creek (Military Rd.) Sept. 14-15

ARF Range, located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Rd., east of the gas pipeline and north of Portage Creek. Sept. 13-16.

The Range 30 Complex,

located north of North Down River Rd., east of Jones Lake Rd., south of County Rd. 612, and west of Bald Hill Truck Trail. Sept. 13 - 16.

In addition, the following roads will be closed on Sept. 13 -16, Bucks East - West Truck Trail from Jones Lake Road to Bald Hill Truck Trail, Ketchum Truck Trail from Bucks East-West to N. Down River Rd., Stephan Bridge Rd. from County Rd. 612 to N. Down River Rd., and Wakeley Bridge Rd. from County Rd. 612 to N. Down River Rd.

Heavy weapons range firing is scheduled from sunrise until three hours after sunset. Due to mobilizations or critical training requirements, the Post Commander may authorize mission-firing requirements beyond this time.

This firing schedule is subject to change without notice to the public.

Contact the Grayling Department of Natural Resources for the areas closed for hunting within the boundaries of the installation. Grayling DNR telephone number: (989) 348-6371. For further information call 1-989-344-6320.

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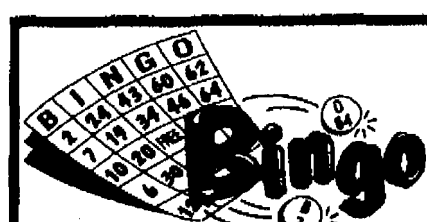
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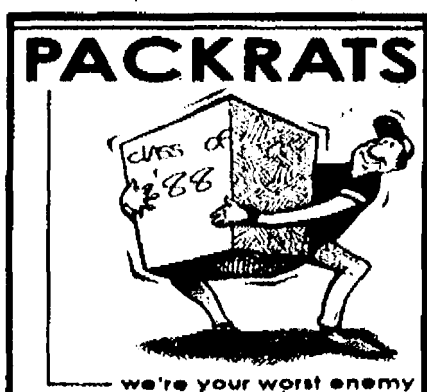
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Being Dead & Alive in Christ

We come to the first exhortation in Romans 6: "Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord." Our faith union with Jesus Christ as He died on the cross in our place has liberated us from the finality, fear and force of sin and death. (Romans 6:8-10). As God the Father has accepted the finished righteous work of Jesus Christ and imputed it to us for forgiveness of sins and eternal life, even so likewise we are exhorted to reckon these same facts to be true in our own daily lives.

There are three key words pointing us to victory over sin in Romans 6. These words are "know," "reckon," and "yield." The word "know" or "knowing" is found in Romans 6:3,6,9. Our faith rest upon the facts of God's finished work revealed in Holy Scriptures. The word "reckon" means to take inventory, impute, account of, number, conclude, or draw the deduction. To "...reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin..." then, is to accept the reality that

our union to Jesus Christ has made us dead to sin forever. Our being dead to sin does not mean that sin is dead to us. It means we are now free to yield our bodies unto righteousness. Yielding is further explained in Romans 6:13,16,19.

The second part of Romans 6:11 reminds us we are not only dead to sin, "...but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord." Not only have we been removed from the realm, reign, and rule of sin and death, but we have been born-again into the family of God. We are His children living under His reign and rule. God has "...blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ." (Eph 1:3). God has, "...raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus." We may now, "...come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need." (Heb 4:16).

We are, "...alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord," because a sovereign God has predestinated us from eternity past to be cleansed from sin and made holy. "According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without

blame before him in love." (Eph 1:4). "29For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren." (Rom 8:29).

We are, "...alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord," because a sovereign God is fulfilling His plan and purpose within us. "13For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure." (Phil 2:13). "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose." (Rom 8:28). "Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ." (Phil 1:6). "Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy," (Jude 1:24). Reckon yourselves to be dead unto sin, but alive unto God. Pastor "B"

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OBITUARIES

In Memory of

Steven Jacob Helsel

Feb. 3 1985 - Sept. 7, 2005

Little did we know that morning, God was going to call your name. In life we loved you dearly, in death we do the same.

It broke our hearts to lose you, you did not go alone. For part of us went with you, the day God called you home.

You left behind so many memories, your love is still our guide. And though we cannot see you, you are always by our side.

Your loving family,
Ellen Helsel

In Memory of

Harold Helsel Sr.

Sept. 13, 2001

When a person you love passes away, look to the night sky on a clear day. The star that to you, appears to be bright, will be your loved one, looking upon you during the night. The lights of heaven are what shows through, as your loved one watches all that you do. When you feel lonely for the one that you love, look to the heavens in the night sky above.

Love, your family

Card of Thanks

Thank you to everyone for your caring in our time of loss. Whether it was food, flowers, cards or just a thought and a prayer, we appreciate everything that was done. A special thanks to Grayling Mercy Hospital's ER and 2 North staff, Heartland Hospice, Grayling Nursing Center, the MMR ambulance crew, St. Mary's Women's Club, Father Nalley, Father Geyman and Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home. Words cannot express how grateful we are for all that you did for our mom/grandmother and our entire family.

The family of Ruth Golnick

In Memory of

Caroline Beth Tardiff

Sept. 13, 1949-Sept. 23, 1996

Our daughter, sister, wife, mother. You will be missed always.

Mom and Dad
David and family
Brian and family
Anne and family

Card of Thanks

We want to express our sincere thanks to the staff of Munson's Oncology floor and Mercy Manor, who helped to take care of Melvin during his illness. A special thanks to Dr. Judy Ramsdall of Traverse City and Dr. Charles Gosling.

We are very grateful to Mercy Hospice for their loving support during the past year. To Melvin's many friends and family members who called, sent cards, food or made memorial contributions, we send our deepest thanks.

A very big thank you to Grayling Baptist Church, Roscommon Baptist Church, Immanuel Baptist Church and the Eagles Club of Grayling, for dinner after the service. To Pastor Jon Scott and Teresa, George and Deanna Miller, Terri and Rick Lockwood and Brandon Rodgers. We will never be able to thank you enough.

The family of Melvin
Fishell

Card of Thanks

We would like to thank everybody for all their support and for everything you've done for us during the loss of our mother. You have secured a special place in our hearts and we will always remember you.

The family of
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Pastor: Dr. William A. Cargo
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Website: www.mm-umc.org
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Traditional Service8:30 & 11:15 am
Contemporary Service10:00 am
Sunday School (preschool - 3rd grade)11 am
Adult Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Children's Sunday School11 am
(Childcare Available)

Seventh Day Adventist
Pastor David Jorgensen
Phone 989-348-1909
Services held Saturday at
Camp AuSable off M-72 East
(1st building on right inside camp
entrance)
Saturday Church Service9:30 am
Saturday Sabbath School10:30 am
Tuesday Prayer Meeting7 pm

Lovells Community Chapel
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Pastor Larry Hankins
Associate Pastor Tom Faunce
8133 Bald Hill Rd. • Lovells
989-348-2701
Sunday School (youth & adult)10 am
Morning Worship11 am
Wed Prayer & Bible Study7-8 pm

Free Methodist
Rick Secord - Pastor
6652 (M-72 W) • 348-9093
Early Service8:30 am
Sunday School10 am
Morning Service11 am
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday)7 pm

Emma Lowery United Church of Christ
3474 West Park Road, Luzerne
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Adult and Youth Sunday School9:30 am

Heritage Baptist
Pastor Ernie Wagner 348-1411
heritagebaptist-grayling.org
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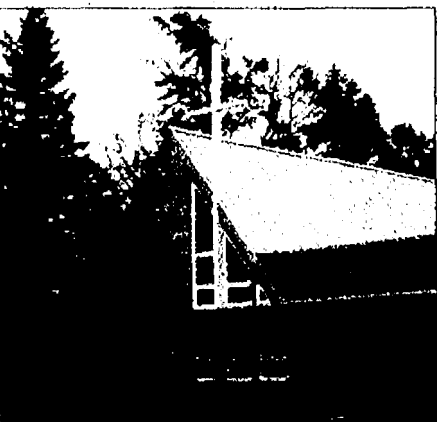
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Burning Bush Tabernacle
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Youth Service11 am
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Wednesday Service7 pm
Friday Prayer Meeting7 pm
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St. John Lutheran (ELCA)
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348-5224
Sunday School9:15 am
Sunday Worship10:30 am

Community of Christ
Pastor Ann Doty
Norning Down River Rd. at
1030 Glenn Rd. • 348-9751
Church School9:45 am
Preaching11 am
Midweek Service Prayer7 pm

St. Mary's Roman Catholic Community
Robert W. Nalley, J.V., Pastor
Parish Office - 707 Spruce - 348-7657
Saturday Evening Masses4:30 pm
Sunday Masses10:00 am

St. Francis Episcopal
Reverend Elizabeth Chace
M-72 West • Office 348-5850
Morning Prayer Tues-Fri8:30 am
Eucharist (Wed)8:30 am
Sunday Holy Eucharist8:30 & 10:30 am

Resurrection Life Center
Pastor Bud & Debbie Mann
Sunday Service10:30 am
Mid Week Services (Wed)7:00 p.m.
Mail: 2640 M-72 West Grayling, MI
49738
Phone: 989-348-1000
E-mail: reslifefellowship@hotmail.com

New Creations Ministry
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This week's menu (lunch/dinner) and activities:

Friday, Sept. 14 - Lunch - pork roast, baked potato, mixed vegetables, and applesauce. No Dinner. 10 a.m. Tone and Tubes, 12 p.m. Frederic and Maple Forest Satellite Meal, 1 p.m. Pantry Bingo, 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. Hog Roast at Wellington Farm Park.

Monday, Sept. 17 - Lunch - stuffed cabbage, peas, boiled potatoes, and peaches. Dinner - baked fish, broccoli, O'Brien potatoes, and mandarin oranges. 9:30 a.m. COA Board Meeting, 10 a.m. Sit and Be Fit, 1 p.m. Bridge Club, 5:30 p.m. Yahtzee.

Tuesday, Sept. 18 - Lunch - hot roast beef sandwich, mashed potatoes with gravy, carrots and grapes. Dinner - BBQ chicken, oven roasted potatoes, smoth-

ered squash, and oranges and grapefruit. 10 a.m. Bible study and Tone and Tubes, 12:45 p.m. Euchre, 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. blood pressure/sugar checks, 5:30 p.m. Bunco.

Wednesday, Sept. 19 - Lunch - Teriyaki chicken, California blend vegetables, tossed salad, and pineapple. Dinner - baked ham, Brussels sprouts, AuGratin potatoes, applesauce, and pumpkin custard. 10 a.m. line dancing, 1 p.m. King and Queens and Unlucky Sevens, 2 p.m. caregiver class.

Thursday, Sept. 20 - Lunch - roast turkey with dressing, mashed potatoes, green beans, and pears. Dinner - meatloaf, mashed potatoes with gravy, corn, and mixed fruit. 9 a.m. out to lunch at Cider Mill, 1 p.m. Pinochle, 5:30 p.m. Uno Attack.

The Crawford County Commission on Aging's Senior Center is located at 308 Lawndale, behind Burger King in Grayling. Walk-ins are welcome.

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The Grayling Promotional Association and I would like to thank the following people for their support and cooperation for the "Junque in the Trunk" Sale: John Cherven, Rob at Fick's, Jerry Nunn at the Bay City

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SHERIFF'S REPORT

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 102 complaints the week of Sept. 3 - Sept. 9:

Sixteen suspicious situations, 12 general non-criminal complaints, two structure fires, one vehicle fire, three delinquent minors, three false alarm activations, one assault and battery/simple assault, one aggravated assault-public official, three burglaries/home invasions, six larcenies, one unauthorized use-vehicle, one damage to property, 11 public peace/disor-

derlies, three health and safeties, one conservation, one runaway, three miscellaneous criminal offenses, one miscellaneous arrest, 15 traffic accidents, two accidents-non-traffic, one traffic safety public appearance, one inspections/investigations-motor vehicle, four inspections/investigations-family, one lost and found property, one drug overdose, six driving violations/driving while license suspended and one driving on revoked/suspended license.

For more information, log on to: www.crawfordsheriff.org.

GRAYLING POLICE REPORT

Grayling City Police Chief Karl A. Schreiner reports his department handled the following complaints during the period of Sept. 2 - Sept. 9:

One private property accident, one traffic accident, five traffic warnings, two civil infraction citations issued, one motorist assist, one felony arrest, two misdemeanor arrests, four suspicious situation complaints, one

disturbance complaint, eight larceny complaints, five alarm complaints, two juvenile complaints;

Five assist other departments, four MDOP complaints, two animal control complaints, one civil complaint, one check violation complaint, one assault complaint, two harassment complaints, two fraud complaints, and 15 unclassified complaints.

BIRTHS

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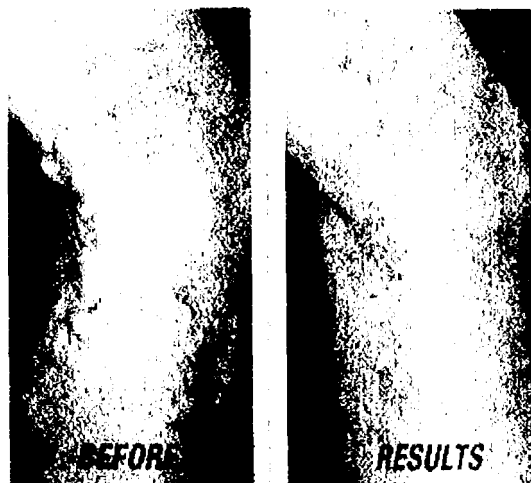
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New Wave Products develops patch for canoes

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

A Grayling based firm, used as a support business for a local car wash, has come up with a solution to keep aged canoes afloat for local livery owners.

Dan Smock, the principle officer for New Wave Products Manufacturing, Inc., recently developed the canoe patch, which is used to repair canoes used in the fleets of local canoe liveries that have taken their beating and banging on the rivers.

The canoe patch is used to repair the ribs in a canoe, the portion of the watercraft that holds the frame of the canoe together and keeps its shape.

The aluminum patch goes over the portion of the canoe ribs which breaks down due to the age of the canoes and the use of the watercraft on local rivers.

Smock, the former owner of the Route 72 Auto Wash, which opened three years ago, has operated New Wave Products in conjunction with the car wash and the overall car wash industry.

Over the summer, John Gross, the brother of Diane Hutt, and the owner of Hutt's Camp and Canoeing, approached Smock regarding finding a repair for their canoes.

Gross brought in a piece of aluminum with the idea of the patch to Smock, who has degrees and training in metallurgy, which involves the study of metals, metallic compounds and alloys and how they can be applied for practical use, which got him thinking about how to repair the canoes.

"I was able to get the ball rolling, and they took it over from there," Gross said.

Typically, livery owners have the ribs on the canoes welded, which has not resulted in much



Photo by Dan Sanderson

Dan Smock, the principle officer for New Wave Products Manufacturing, Inc., recently developed the canoe patch, which is used to repair canoes used in the fleets of local canoe liveries that have taken their beating and banging on the rivers. Above, Smock displays one of the canoe patches with the tooling machine used to make it.

success.

"If you try to weld them, they just split on you again," said Jim Humes, the owner of Penrod's AuSable River Resort. "These patches are about eight to 12 inches long and they stiffen the rib again."

Gross said he was pleased to be able to help his sister and local canoe livery owners find a solution to a longtime issue plaguing the industry.

"It will allow people to utilize equipment for longer periods, and get more use out of the canoes," he said.

Smock circulated the canoe patches among Grayling area canoe livery owners. Last week, he received an order from a South Dakota livery for about a dozen canoe patches.

Smock said he did not know that repairing canoes was an issue, and is pleased to help livery owners as he tries to gain a threshold in the local manufacturing, engineering, machining and tooling market.

"That's part of how we're trying to build the company," he

said. "They had the challenge of trying to fix the canoes and didn't know how to go about doing it, and that's just a small picture of what we're trying to do here."

Smock and about a half dozen retired machinists work in his shop, located in the back of the car wash, helping with custom projects.

"Having their help and expertise will allow the company to get a foothold and an edge," he said.

Smock has outfitted the shop with machining and tooling equipment. He is also in the process of bringing a powder-coating oven, used to apply a protective coating to metal parts and custom fixtures, on line.

New Wave Products specializes in making parts for car washes, metal railings and stair cases, commercial signs and custom components for cars, trucks, motorcycles, go carts and snowmobiles.

Smock is in the process of developing a system for RMA, Inc., a Pennsylvania based engineering firm, which will test tire pressure and tread width for trac-

tor-trailers. He became involved with the project through his invention of the Dually Dolly, a component that allows dual wheeled pick-ups to travel through automated car washes.

In addition, New Wave Products Manufacturing is in the process of introducing an amplified MP3 system for motorcycles.

Smock said he is receiving a majority of orders through the Internet and by word of mouth.

"There are people out there looking for custom made products, but they just don't want to pay an arm and a leg for it and want to be treated fair," he said.

In the near future, Smock plans to expand his operation, hoping to open up a larger manufacturing shop in the Grayling Industrial Park and bring more employees on board.

"Grayling is the hub in northern Michigan," he said. "There is all kinds of talent from past industry that has retired and is located right here in Grayling, and they love to come in here and dabble."

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until 4:30 p.m. that afternoon.

In addition to the exhibits and the free admission, the farm will be in full operation that day. All buildings will be manned with costumed interpreters providing demonstrations and historical stories. Two giant steam engines will be in operation also, one threshing oats and the other operating the sawmill. Straw baling will be accomplished by the use of a 19th century hay press made in Ann Arbor and corn will be

processed into silage using a period silo filler that once filled silos right here in Southwestern Crawford County.

To top the day's activities off there will be an old fashioned softball game with the Wellington Farmers playing host to the TV 9 & 10 All Stars at 1:00 p.m. in the afternoon. The game will be played in the back pasture and naturally, the rules for the games will be those published for games played in 1932.

Wellington Farm, USA depicts life on a mid-western farmstead during the years of the Great Depression. The farm is open Wednesday through Sunday for self guided and guided tours. Beginning in mid September, hayrides and special evening guided tours will be available for groups. More information about the historical park can be obtained by calling 888-653-3276 or visiting the website at www.wellingtonfarmpark.org.

Wellington Free Fair Premium List:

Free Fair Exhibitor and Exhibit Rules

1. All exhibitors must have their entries in place by 9:30 a.m. entries must remain until 4:30 p.m.

2. Entries will be accepted from 5 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. on Sept. 21 and from 7:30 a.m. until 9:30 a.m. on Sept. 22.

3. Wellington Farm Park, Inc., will not be responsible for any loss, damage or injury. Wellington Farm Park, Inc., will not be responsible for any article of any kind or nature that may be lost or destroyed in any way injured or damaged.

4. Divisions are established as follows:

Division A - Youth 4 - 7 years

Division B - Youth 8 - 12 years

Division C - Youth 13 - 17 years

Division D - Seniors 62 and older

5. Only one entry per class, per exhibitor.

6. All entries must have been grown by the exhibitor

7. All entries must have been made after Sept. 23, 2006.

8. Exhibits must be completed

9. Exhibits must be clean

10. Food items must be on a paper plate and sealed in a plastic bag.

11. Collections must contain at least 6 items and must be confined to a 3' x 3' space.

Section 1 - Baking - Open to Divisions A, B, C & D

Class No.

1001 Cookies and Bars

1002 Brownies

1003 Doughnuts and Fried Cakes

1004 Yeast Breads

1005 Quick Breads

1006 Rolls

1007 Candy

1008 Cakes

1009 Decorated Cakes

1010 Pies

1011 Any other baked goods

Section 2 - Canning - Open to Divisions B, C & D

Class No.

2001 Fruits

2002 Vegetables

2003 Juices

2004 Maple Syrup

2005 Honey

2006 Pickles and Relishes

2007 Jams and Jellies

2008 Any other canned goods

Section 3 - Flowers - Open to Divisions A, B, C & D

Class No.

3001 Flower, Cut (Single Species)

3002 Flower, Cut Arrangement

3003 Dried Flowers

3004 Potted Plant, Hanging

3005 Potted Plant, Flowering

3006 Potted Plant, Foliage

3007 Terrarium

3008 Bonsai Specimen

3009 Herb, Single Specimen

3010 Herb Display, 3 or more

3011 Indoor Garden Arrangement

3012 Any other flower or plant not fitting existing categories

Section 4 - Art Work - Open to Divisions B, C & D

Class No.

4001 Oils

4002 Acrylics

4003 Watercolor

4004 Pastels

4005 Charcoal

4006 Pencil

4007 Ink

4008 Crayon

4009 Fabric Painting

4010 Prints

4011 Computer Creations

4012 Mixed Media

4013 Sculpture

4014 Ceramics

4015 Auto-CAD

4016 Spray paint

4017 Any other painting or drawing

Section 5 - Photography and Literary - Open to Divisions A, B, C & D

Class No.

5001 Color Photography

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6010 Loom Made Articles

6011 Quilting

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Frederic World War II veteran featured in film

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solution on the sailors and the ship, which they thought was a poison gas.

In all, there were 6,000 sailors killed and another 6,000 were wounded during the battles in the Pacific Ocean.

"We saw a lot more action than we wanted to - that's for sure," Allen said.

Allen said he agreed with the decision to drop the atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki due to the vigilance of the Japanese.

"They knew if they were going to fight like that at sea, that they were going to fight like that on the mainland," Allen said.

The USS Thatcher arrived back in the United States in mid-August, following Japan's decision to surrender. The destroyer was decommissioned in November 1945.

Diane Hutchens, the associate producer for the documentary, said that Allen's story about returning stateside gives an emotional perspective about the end of the war.

"It makes me tear up when I watch it," she said. "They were so glad to be home and he just wanted to kiss the ground in his country."

In all, 65 World War II veterans were interviewed for the documentary.

"We tried to get a variety of voices who did different things during the war," Hutchens said.

After the war, Allen and Betty relocated to the Lansing area to raise their family. Allen worked as a quality controller for an automotive parts manufacturer.

Like most veterans, Allen said he did not talk about his experiences during the war until he started attending USS Thatcher reunions with his comrades. He has also attended reunions with kamikaze survivors.

Since there are only about a dozen members from the ship remaining, Allen said he regularly discusses his experiences with students and other groups.

"I think it's something that people should know about - not only me - but other World War II veterans," Allen said.

Grayling Lions seek to start youth club

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Clubs established worldwide, with the closest club located in the Traverse City area.

Prause, who is the district Alpha Leo Club chairman, is charged with trying to establish a number of clubs in the region. He hopes to duplicate the Grayling Lions Club's efforts to start more clubs in the next few years if they can get an Alpha Leo Club going in the community.

"I don't want to spread myself too thin to begin with," Prause said.

After serving the Alpha Leo Club, Prause said that youngsters would be encouraged to join the Lions as adults and carry on the organization's traditions.

About a dozen youngsters have shown an interest in starting the Alpha Leo Club.

Grayling Lions Club members plan to meet with principals at local schools regarding the organization, with plans to get the club going following the Christmas holiday break.

For more information regarding the Alpha Leo Club, contact Prause at 348-5524, or Fitch at 275-4968.

46TH CIRCUIT TRIAL COURT

Sentencings for August 2007

Hon. Janet M. Allen

Asia Ishmeal III, age 17 of Grayling - Plead guilty on July 9, 2007 to assault or assault and battery; sentenced on Aug. 6,

2007 to serve 270 days in jail with credit for 84 days served; ordered to pay \$60 state minimum costs and \$60 crime victim rights fee.

Hon. Dennis F. Murphy

Jason Michael Hartley, age 30 of Grayling - Plead guilty on July 10, 2007 to controlled substance possession of a non-narcotic and found guilty by the court for being habitual offender third

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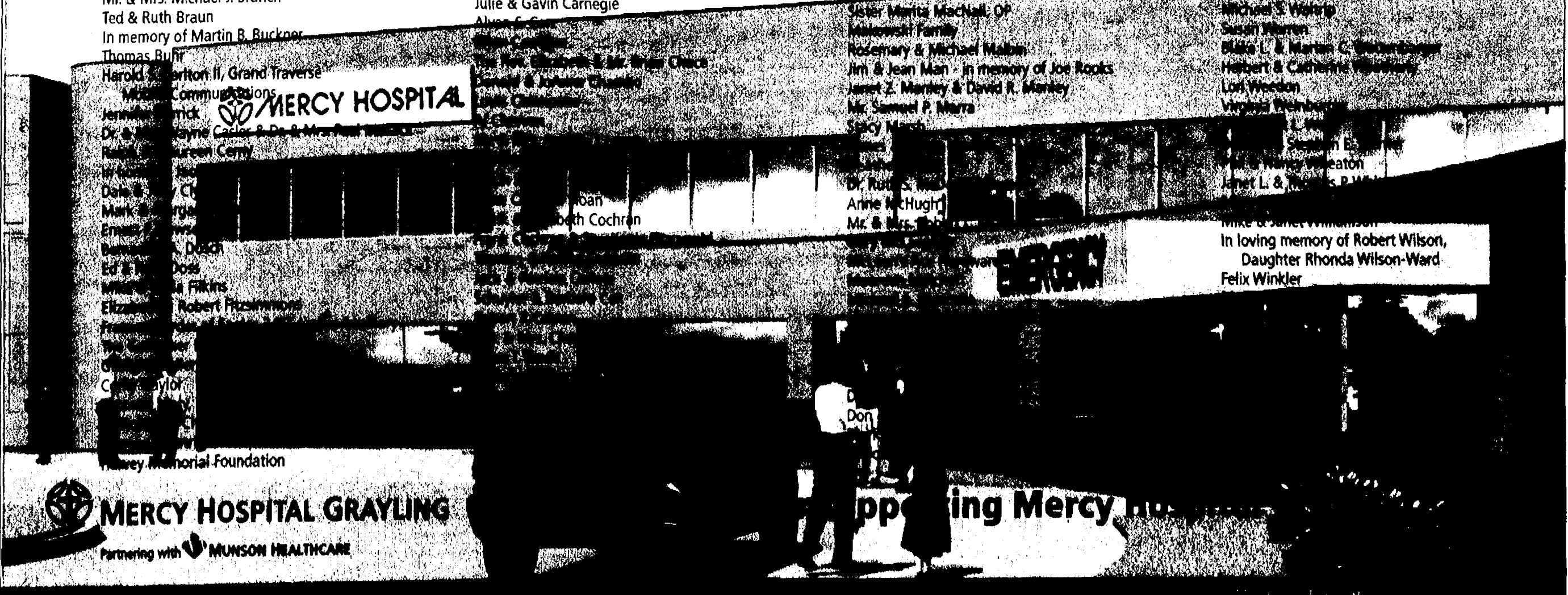
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Class Starts: September 27
Length of Class: 8 weeks
Day of Class: Thursday
Time: 7:00-8:30 p.m.
Place: AuSable Primary - Gross Motor Skills Room
Cost: \$40.00

Instructor: Priscilla Whiteford

Through the principles of breath awareness and deep muscle stretching, strengthening and relaxation, you'll discover tools for greater physical, mental and spiritual well-being. Bring a blanket and mat, and wear loose clothing.

Hatha Yoga II

Class Starts: September 27
Length of Class: Continuing
Day of Class: Thursday
Time: 5:30-7:00 p.m.
Place: AuSable Primary - Gross Motor Skills Room
Cost: \$40.00

Instructor: Priscilla Whiteford

This is a continuation of Hatha Yoga I. Bring a blanket and mat, and loose clothing. Priscilla Whiteford has taught yoga since 1974 at Washtenaw Community College in Ann Arbor and presently teaches at Northwestern Michigan College in Traverse City. Priscilla has trained with BKS Iyengar in India and the United States, and is certified by him.

Microsoft Office

Class Starts: September 27
Length of Class: 8 weeks
Day of Class: Wednesday
Time: 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Place: Grayling Middle School, Computer Lab
Cost: \$80.00 (includes books)

Instructor: Nancy Hatfield

This eight-week course is for those individuals who want to explore and use Microsoft Office, Excel and/or PowerPoint. The instructor will tailor the class around the needs of students.

Digital Photography

Class Starts: September 24
Length of Class: 8 weeks
Day of Class: Monday
Time: 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Place: Grayling Middle School, Computer Lab
Cost: \$80.00 (includes book)

Instructor: Nancy Hatfield

Learn how to find the digital camera that is right for you and how to take great pictures whether close up or a long distance away. We will show you how to freeze action when taking digital pictures instead of taking blurry photos, and how to take pictures in dim light without a flash. Learn what all the program settings on your camera are for. Also, learn how to transfer your digital images to your computer, how to store your images, how to use computer software to manipulate your images to get rid of "red eye", punch up the interest in your photos, crop your photos and learn ways you can share your photos with others.

New World Karate

Class Starts: September 25
Ages: 4 and up
Length of Class: Ongoing
Day of Class: Tuesday
Time: 5:00-6:00 p.m.
Place: AuSable Primary - Gross Motor Skills Room
Cost: \$5.00 per class

Instructor: Zach Burns

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Spanish for Travelers

Class Starts: September 25
Length of Class: 8 weeks
Day of Class: Tuesday
Time: 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Place: Grayling Middle School
Cost: \$50.00

Instructor: Nancy Lemmen

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True Colors Family

Workshop

Class 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Dates: Session One: September 25 and October 2
Session Two: November 12 and November 19
Location: Grayling Middle School - Media Center
Class Fee: \$25 per person
Materials Fee: \$40.00 (one set of materials required per family)

This workshop is designed just for parents who want to make their families stronger and happier. The workshop will be taught by Tracy Wilson, Certified True Colors Facilitator, and is based on the book True Parenting by Kathy Hayward. The workshop guides parents through the True Colors process to determine the color spectrum of each family member and the family as a whole. The workshop is a springboard for developing improved parenting skills, greater communication in the home, and more meaningful family relationships. The workshop is interactive, insightful and fun. True Parenting is valuable for any parent or any person who wants to be a parent and can be especially helpful for blended (2nd marriages and step-children) families. The class will begin with a basic awareness of True Colors and will then consider each family member as an individual and as a member of the family unit. Participants will examine the effect that their own parents have on their parenting styles and will also look at the relationship between parenting partners (spouses, grandparents, siblings) and how that affects your family. Over the course of the program parents will gain skills in effective communication, motivation and discipline.

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November 29, 2007 @ 5:30 p.m.
December 20, 2007 @ 5:30 p.m.

All testing will take place at Grayling High School. Please call Paul Brunell at 348-6137 for further information.

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EDITOR

Lack of opportunity and fear of progress keeps Grayling from economic growth

To the editor:

There was a time in our communities' history when things were good. Of course, there were trees that needed to be logged, bows and arrows to be made, snow to ride and ski on ... oh wait, that was 25 years ago.

Why do we have two full pages of new foreclosures in our *Avalanche* every week? Why is our youth graduating, getting out of Grayling and not returning? We have a pretty good idea. Lack of opportunity and a general fear of progress.

A recent letter in the *Avalanche* suggested that we as a community are not willing to work hard and sacrifice. My parents opened a business in this community in 1976 and trust me, they have worked very hard and have sacrificed. My father took a big chance by moving his wife and six children from Warren, to relocate and start a business here. The Grayling area offered opportunity and room for growth. Thankfully, this community welcomed us with open arms and my family is still in business today.

Where are the opportunities now? What motivation do we give our families to relocate to the Grayling area? What reasons do we give our children to move home, after college, with our grandchildren? How are they to make a living? Most of our children and grandchildren will never live in this area unless we present them with opportunities.

I have lived in the area for 25 plus years, long enough to remember that West Branch was just a few gas stations 30 years ago. Then some investors, from outside the area, put up a mall. Now, West Branch is a thriving community with more to offer its residents than ever before. It still remains one of the most beautiful areas in northern Michigan, rumor has it, they are expecting a

Meijer's to come in.

We should have faith that our county commissioners and township boards will do their homework and make the best possible decisions concerning the growth and prosperity of our community. Patrick Crosson (theme park investor) has a master's degree in business and business management, as well as a bachelor of science degree in finance. Feel free to check out Crosson and his company at axiomentertainment.com. We're also pretty confident that every person reading this paper knows someone that has filed personal bankruptcy in the last ten years or lost their home.

We have struggled for the last few years, trying to decide whether or not we need to relocate to a larger city along with many others that are unable to remain in our hometown and support their families. Our love for the area that we grew up in, has stopped us from leaving time and again. The generations before us built our community and earned their retirement. Those of us raising our children and operating businesses in this community year round, would like the opportunity to earn a retirement of our own. We need to open our minds and do our best to make things work with new industries and companies. It's imperative to the survival of our community that we take progressive economic action soon.

The times and the world around us are requiring that our community step up to the plate and move forward. Progress and technology may be passing us by. The theme park would only be a beginning. When a community creates a reason for people to visit, a need arises. A need for contractors, sub-contractors, retail businesses, restaurants, shopping malls, real estate sales,

hotels, motels, etc. and the list goes on. I'm sure our local motel owners would prefer to make a living all year long. Right now, they hope to make enough money during a two or three month period to sustain them throughout the rest of the year.

As far as protecting our natural resources, Main Street America said they will do everything in their power to protect our environment. They intend to bring in 8,000,000 gallons of water, which they intend to recycle and reuse, so that they don't inadvertently affect our water table. The DEQ told them it required ten acres of their property to do this. However, they have designated 100 acres to their waste treatment facility so that surrounding industry may tap into the process if they choose. Recycled water and waste? What a great forward moving idea.

I encourage the concerned citizens of our community to ask questions, attend meetings, access the internet, investigate the bond issues and find out the facts. Shame on us, if we let this opportunity for economic growth pass us by. Didn't we go through this same level of controversy when Weyerhaeuser, AJD and Georgia Pacific built their plants here in the area? I seem to recall a group with quite a bit of financial backing, fighting for nearly five years to try and remove our National Guard base some 20 to 30 years ago. I am sure there are many members of our community, and our country, that are glad to have the guard still with us. The DNR and DEQ are some pretty tough customers as well. We have to trust them to make firm, solid decisions to protect and keep our beautiful river.

Here's to moving forward.

Patrick Ross and
Brenda Petrosky-Ross
Grayling

Tax bills question whether or not an out of state property owner is wanted here

To the editor:

I am writing this letter in protest of the manner in which the township board conducts its business. Last November, I received a notice about a special assessment district that proposed to repave Clough Drive. I responded with a letter discussing my opposition to the project. In the minutes (I requested that the letter be read into the record), my opposition was stated as my property does not benefit from the project. I believe that my letter to Mr. Wright made several more points that were completely ignored. I never received the notice for the next meeting to consider the project. When I talked to Mr. Wright last month, he assured me that I was sent a notice. The U.S. Post Office stated to me that the mail would not have been forwarded to me at that time because my post office box was on vacation status, but that it would have been

returned to the township. So, here we are, I did not get an opportunity to protest once again, but will certainly have the opportunity to pay the additional assessment for the next three years.

This brings me to my next concern and that is my tax bill. I realize that the home on Clough Drive is not a primary residence, but the tax bill that I received this summer, combined with the expected increase on the winter taxes, leads me to believe that you would rather not have people from out of state invest in property in Grayling Township. We buy our groceries and gasoline locally. We eat in restaurants and shop in Grayling during the approximately five months that we spend here annually. We have several accounts in a local bank, our automobile is repaired locally. I also volunteer my mediation skills, when I am here. My tax bill for the Grayling

Township property is equal to 80 percent of my tax bill in Maryland, but the assessed value of our property in Maryland is 800 percent greater. I just cannot understand the huge discrepancy. I still wonder what services my tax dollars in Michigan are providing to me. In Maryland, I have my streets plowed and swept, my garbage is picked up twice a week, and my recycling is picked up once a week. I have police patrol on foot, bicycle and auto several times a day. There is an elementary school, middle school and two high schools all within walking distance. The fire department is several blocks away from my home, just to mention a few of the amenities that my tax dollars pay for.

I was planning to add an addition to the house. I would have employed local craftsmen, which as far as I understand, could help the depressed economic situation in Crawford County. I am, however, rethinking it because I cannot even contemplate how much my taxes would increase as a result. As a result, I am having some serious second thoughts about what to do with the property that has been owned by my family for almost half a century.

Alexandra K. Tyron-Hopko
Grayling and Maryland

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Vikings move to 3-0 with 43-12 victory at East Jordan

Grayling scores three passing TDs, three rushing TDs on Friday

■ **Isaac VanNuck** catches three TD passes and runs for a TD in win vs. Red Devils

by Caleb Casey
Senior Staff Writer

The Grayling Vikings scored three touchdowns through the air and three more TDs on the ground during their 43-12 victory in last Friday's varsity football game at East Jordan.

The contest was Grayling's first Lake Michigan Conference game of the season. The Vikings are now 3-0 overall and 1-0 in league play.

On Friday night, the Vikings forced a punt on 4th and 11 after East Jordan received the opening kickoff. Running back Ryan Cooper ran for 19 yards on first down. On 3rd and 7, quarterback Jimmy Osga completed a deep pass to Isaac VanNuck for a touchdown, but the play was called back due to a penalty. Grayling tried another deep pass attempt, but the Vikings were whistled for offensive pass interference on the play, resulting in 4th and 26. Grayling punted.

On 2nd and 9, the East Jordan Red Devils fumbled and Geo Bindschatel recovered the ball for the Vikings.

Grayling started 18 yards from the goal line. Two runs by Cooper and a pass from Osga to Justin Farnsworth brought up 1st and goal at the 7-yard line. After three running plays, Osga passed to VanNuck on 4th and goal for a five-yard touchdown. Jason Drudge kicked the extra point and Grayling led 7-0.

East Jordan punted on 4th and 36. Grayling took over 42 yards from the goal line after the punt rolled dead. A pass from Osga to VanNuck picked up 23 yards on 2nd and 10. A pass to Josh Stapleton gained four yards. On 2nd and 6, Cooper scored on a 15-yard touchdown run. With the extra point kick by Drudge, GHS led 14-0.

The Red Devils punted on 4th and 14 and Grayling started at the 44-yard line of East Jordan. On 4th and 6, Grayling converted with a pass from Osga to Cooper for 12 yards. On 1st and 10, Osga threw deep to VanNuck for a 28-yard TD pass. On the conversion attempt, the snap and hold failed and Stapleton, the holder for the kick, ran with the ball to the corner of the end zone for two points. Grayling led 22-0 with 9:49 left in the first half.

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Photos by Caleb Casey

(Left) Receiver Justin Farnsworth runs with the ball after catching a pass vs. the East Jordan Red Devils on Friday. (Right) Quarterback Jimmy Osga throws a pass for the Vikings at East Jordan.



(Left) Running back Ryan Cooper carries the ball for Grayling during Friday night's game against the Red Devils. (Right) Tim VanNuck joins his Viking teammates on the field at East Jordan during pregame player introductions.



(Left) Linebacker Geo Bindschatel chases East Jordan's quarterback on Friday night. (Right) Josh Stapleton runs with the ball for two points on a conversion play following a second quarter Grayling touchdown.

Soccer team defeats Harbor Springs 4-1

■ **Vikings win on Thursday after one-goal losses to Kalkaska and Boyne**

The Grayling High School varsity boys soccer team defeated the Harbor Springs Rams 4-1 last Thursday at GHS. The Vikings lost two one-goal games in their previous two contests.

"We had a couple really tough losses but the team bounced

back in our game against Harbor Springs. In the last four years Grayling has never beaten Harbor Springs," Coach Craig Cobb said. "We emphasized working as a team and playing smarter on the field."

With two first half goals by Max Kluge, Grayling led 2-0 at halftime. With about 15 minutes left in the game, the Rams scored a goal on a penalty kick. Five minutes later Harbor was given

another penalty kick opportunity.

"Nick Sendek came up with a great save as keeper and the momentum shifted back over to us. Max Kluge scored another goal and Mike Olson scored an unassisted corner kick goal," Coach Cobb said. "I have been telling them they needed to play with heart on the field and that is what they did against Harbor Springs."

Grayling won by a final score of 4-1.

On Tuesday, Sept. 4, the Vikings lost to the Kalkaska Blazers 6-5 at GHS.

Olson and Jan Fried each had one goal. Kluge had three goals.

"Again we went into half with a two-goal lead. Kalkaska fought back hard and scored three more goals in the second half. I emphasized with the team that in order to win games at the varsity

level it takes showing heart on the field, especially in the second half when things aren't going your way," Coach Cobb said.

On Thursday, Aug. 30, the Vikings fell to the Boyne City Ramblers 3-2 at GHS.

"Max Kluge scored two goals and we went into half with a two-goal lead. In the second half we lost our momentum and Boyne City rallied to tie it up. With about five minutes left in

the game Boyne scored off of a corner kick," Coach Cobb said. "We played really hard. Our defense really picked it up in this game and we were in it right to the end. Chris Wells had a great game in goal; unfortunately, he was also injured in this game as he took a kick to the ribs."

The Vikings will play at East Jordan on Thursday, Sept. 13. On Monday, Sept. 17, Grayling will host Elk Rapids at 5 p.m.

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Course	Dates	Location
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	Oct. 22	M-TEC Gaylord
	Feb. 4	West Branch
	Feb. 18	M-TEC Gaylord
	May 5	West Branch
QuickBooks - Level 2 \$112 each level	May 19	M-TEC Gaylord
	Nov. 7	West Branch
	Oct. 24	M-TEC Gaylord
	Feb. 6	West Branch
	Feb. 20	M-TEC Gaylord
QuickBooks - Level 3 \$112 each level	May 7	West Branch
	May 21	M-TEC Gaylord
	Nov. 9	West Branch
	Oct. 26	M-TEC Gaylord
	Feb. 8	West Branch
MS Excel - Level 1 \$72 each level	Feb. 22	M-TEC Gaylord
	May 9	West Branch
	May 23	M-TEC Gaylord
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MS Excel - Level 3 \$72 each level	March 24	M-TEC Gaylord
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	Oct. 15	West Branch
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	March 24	M-TEC Gaylord
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	Sept. 12	West Branch
	Jan. 7	M-TEC Gaylord
	Jan. 15	West Branch
How to Write a Business Plan - \$15	Oct. 1	M-TEC Gaylord
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A team sponsored by SMK Beautification and Stow & Go won the Grayling Recreation Authority men's softball regular season with a 22-2 record. The team: (front, L to R) Chad Bonamie, Eric Bonamie, Ed Palmer, Mike D'Amour, Joel Mack, Jimmy Schwartz; (back, L to R) Corey Rock, Chad Ellis, Lee Barnett, Tim Sheldon, Travis Hulbert, Andrew Barber. Not pictured: Jan Thayer, Jason Thayer, Tom Barnes.

GRA MEN'S SOFTBALL

The Grayling Recreation Authority men's softball league wrapped up its 2007 season with a two-week double elimination tournament that ended with the championship game last Thursday.

The team sponsored by the Crawford County Deputies Association and DuBois Lumber, a squad that finished second in the regular season with a 21-3 record, won the tournament with four wins, no losses.

The SMK Beautification/Stow & Go team finished second in the tournament. SMK/Stow & Go won the regular season with a 22-2 record.

Tournament Results

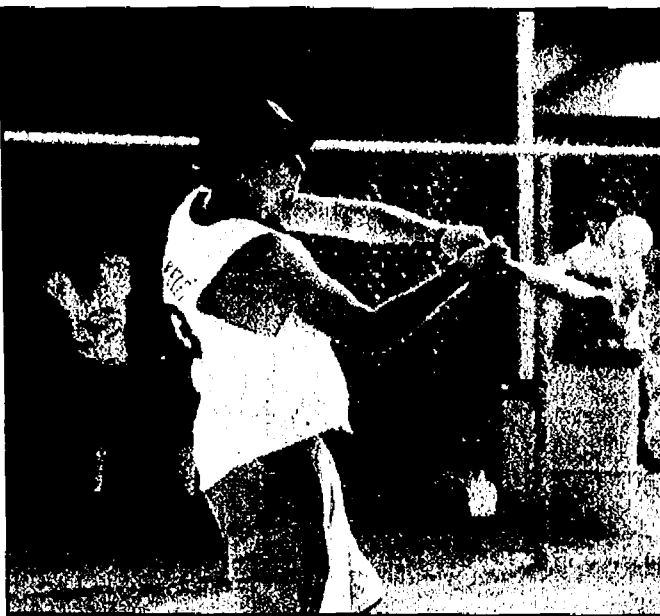
1. CC Deputies/DuBois.....4-0
2. SMK/Stow&Go.....2-2
3. Hometown.....2-2
4. AJD.....2-2
5. Gray Rock.....1-2
6. Springs.....0-2
6. Kodiak.....0-2

Regular Season Results

1. SMK/Stow&Go.....22-2
2. CC Deputies/DuBois.....21-3
3. Kodiak.....15-9
4. AJD.....11-13
5. Hometown.....8-16
6. Gray Rock.....6-18
7. Springs.....1-23



A squad sponsored by the Crawford County Deputies Association and DuBois Lumber won the GRA men's softball league double elimination tournament last week, posting a 4-0 record. The team: (front, L to R) Russ DeHart, Caleb Mead, Ryan Swope, Mark Burke; (back, L to R) Caleb Casey, Bill Noble, DJ Metzger, Darrell Metzger, John Cottenham, Chad Bromley. Not pictured: Jeremy Latuszek, Larry Baynham.



(Left) Chris Wakeley hits a ball for the Hometown Furniture team during a GRA men's softball tournament game vs. SMK/Stow & Go last Wednesday at Hanson Hills. (Right) Jimmy Schwartz puts the ball in play for SMK/Stow & Go.



(Left) Mike D'Amour hits a home run for the SMK/Stow & Go team during last week's tournament game against Hometown Furniture. (Right) Ed Palmer pitches for SMK/Stow & Go.



(Left) Bruce Dale bats for Hometown Furniture on Wednesday night. (Right) Joel Mack scores a run for SMK/Stow & Go.



Isaac VanNuck catches a touchdown pass in the first quarter on Friday on a play that was called back due to a penalty.



Jason Drudge kicks off to the Red Devils during last Friday's varsity football game at East Jordan High School.

Vikings move to 3-0 with 43-12 victory at East Jordan

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Spencer Dean sacked the East Jordan quarterback on 3rd and 16 to force another Red Devil punt.

Grayling moved from East Jordan's 43-yard line to the 23-yard line with passes to VanNuck and Farnsworth. Cooper broke free for a 23-yard touchdown on the next play. Drudge kicked the extra point and the Vikings led 29-0 with 6:29 remaining in the half.

On 2nd and 15 at East Jordan's 36-yard line, the Red Devil quarterback ran left, fumbled, picked the ball up, and ran the other way for a 32-yard gain. East Jordan picked up 21 yards on a reverse play to bring up 1st and 10 at the 11-yard line. Bindschatel sacked the East Jordan QB on third down, and Dean posted a quarterback sack on 4th and 16 to end the drive on downs.

Grayling threw a deep pass on 1st and 10 and the Red Devils intercepted the ball.

East Jordan punted after three plays and the first half ended with the kick. GHS led 29-0 at halftime.

The first possession of the second half ended with a punt by East Jordan on 4th and 12.

On 3rd and 16, the Red Devils hit Osga as he was throwing and an East Jordan defender grabbed the ball out of the air. The Red Devils started 15 yards from the goal line after the turnover. On 3rd and 7, Dean sacked the East Jordan quarterback. Grayling stopped an East Jordan running play on 4th and 15 to take over on downs.

Two runs by Cooper gained 19 yards. Osga passed to Stapleton for four yards on 1st and 10. On 2nd and 6, East Jordan intercepted a Grayling pass and returned the ball to the 15-yard line. On 2nd and 8, East Jordan's QB ran for a 13-yard touchdown. Bindschatel blocked the extra point kick and Grayling led 29-6.

East Jordan tried an on-side kick and Grayling started near midfield. On 3rd and 5, Osga

threw deep to VanNuck for 30 yards. Osga scrambled for nine yards on 2nd and 10. On 3rd and 1, VanNuck lined up at quarterback and scored on a four-yard run. With the extra point kick by Drudge, Grayling led 36-6.

The Red Devils punted on 4th and 9 and Grayling's offense started at its 48-yard line. A pass to Farnsworth and a run by fullback Tim VanNuck brought up 1st and 10 at the 29-yard line. A run by T. VanNuck and a pass to Stapleton picked up another first down. On 4th and 2, Osga passed to I. VanNuck for a three-yard touchdown. Drudge kicked the extra point and the Vikings led 43-6.

East Jordan capped a six-play, 71-yard scoring drive with an 18-yard touchdown run on 3rd and 1. The two-point conversion attempt failed. Grayling led 43-12 with 6:02 left in the game.

Grayling ran four plays and punted. East Jordan punted on 4th and 14, and Grayling killed the final 52 seconds to end the game. The Vikings won 43-12.

Osga finished with 167 passing yards and three TDs. I. VanNuck was the team's leading receiver with 101 yards and three touchdowns on six catches. Cooper rushed for 85 yards on 14 carries with two touchdowns.

On defense, Dean had 14 tackles and five sacks. Tory Myers had 13 tackles and one sack. Bindschatel had 12 tackles and two sacks. T. VanNuck and Dustin Schutt each had seven tackles and one sack.

"This was a good way to start in the LMC. We were able to rest our running backs Tim VanNuck on offense for the entire game and Ryan Cooper in the second half. We put a lot onto Jimmy Osga's shoulders tonight, making him throw the ball more than we usually do. He did a nice job connecting with Isaac on three touchdown passes but we need to get better throwing the shorter routes if we are going to beat the good teams this season. Isaac



Photos by Caleb Casey

Spencer Dean joins other Viking starters at midfield during pregame player introductions on Friday night at East Jordan.

VanNuck led us on offense and he now has eight touchdowns on the season. If he keeps performing this way, it will give us a great chance to win games," Coach Ben Brock said.

"Our defense led us once again as Spencer Dean finished with 14 tackles and five sacks. Tory Myers had 13 tackles and a sack and Geo Bindschatel finished the night with 12 tackles and two sacks. We have done a tremendous job of shutting down what the other teams do best and make them do things that they are not good at. Coach (Tim) Sanchez has put nice game plans together on the defensive side of the ball," Coach Brock said.

"We finished the night with three turnovers. We cannot have that happen and we will correct our mistakes as we know that our next game is our toughest of the season against Elk Rapids. They come in undefeated and ready to avenge their loss to us last season. Their coach, Ed Schindler, is a proven winner as he got them to the playoffs last season for the first time in their school's history. Their squad does things very

well and they make very few mistakes," Coach Ben Brock said.

The Vikings (3-0) will host Elk Rapids (3-0) on Friday, Sept. 14, at 7 p.m.

"Elk Rapids will be bringing a huge crowd. Our Viking Nation will be ready and our team will be prepared. These kind of games dictate how successful a season will be. Our guys are excited and ready for the challenge. It should be a good atmosphere," Coach Ben Brock said.

JV football squad falls to East Jordan

The GHS junior varsity football team fell to the visiting East Jordan Red Devils 30-0 last Thursday at Grayling High School.

The Vikings finished the game with 108 rushing yards and 44 passing yards.

"Tyler Hanson ran the ball accounting for 99 of our 108 rushing yards. The offensive line looked good and blocked at their highest percentage for the season thus far. Our defense played well after the first drive," Coach Chris

Kucharek said.

On defense, Zach Wolcott had 12 tackles and one interception, and Jake Helsel and Joe Contreras each had 11 tackles. Ethan Lewis had 7 tackles, and Hanson and Joe Tottingham each had 6 tackles.

"Cody Myers and Jordan Helsel played well at corner, never giving up a big pass play. Our defensive line played well as we rotated players to different positions. Ryan Teeple, Sam Brantley, and Mike Dunckel in

particular had big plays for us at defensive line," Coach Kucharek said.

"We never got a break or a big play in this game. I thought we played a pretty good game and if we had a couple of plays go the other way this would have been a really close game," Coach Kucharek said.

"The score does not indicate how close the game really was," Coach Ron Wyman said.

The Vikings play at Elk Rapids on Thursday, Sept. 13, at 6 p.m.

Volleyball squad opens season with loss at Alcona

Grayling High School's varsity girls volleyball team opened its 2007 fall season with losses at Lincoln Alcona in a series that featured three close games.

Alcona won the series 25-17, 25-23, 25-23.

"Our serve receive and passing fell apart last night and the girls' first game jitters came out. They had moments of doing the right thing, but lacked the ability to finish the games on top. We have some work to do, but we have the

rest of the season to fix the mistakes from last night's game. I have faith in the girls to be able to pull stuff out," Coach Jessica Szymoniak said.

The Vikings will host Onaway at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 20.

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Local fighters win bouts

Two fighters from Grayling recently won bouts, including one who clinched a title belt.

Paul "Small Paul" Martin (10-2) of Grayling, who was coming off a win in an Ohio NAAFS tournament last month, defeated

John Asbury (6-1) for the elite cage fighting midwest light weight belt.

Dave Shepard (2-0) of Grayling defeated Adam Shea (3-1) in just over a minute at the ISSIB.

"Dave is going to be tough at this class. Being 6'0", 155 makes him hard to fight. His skill level is outstanding," Martin said.

"Our corner man, Drew Brooks, he was a great help," Martin added.



Paul "Small Paul" Martin

KIRTLAND CROSS COUNTRY

The men's and women's cross country teams for Kirtland Community College are not only ready to kick off the Fall 2007 athletic season, they're ready to make history. And that's before they even run a race.

Second-year head coach Steve Seager currently has 13 runners – seven men and six women – to start the 2007 season, which opened with the Northwood University Invitational in Midland on Friday, Sept. 7.

"We have a full schedule – six meets," Seager said. "This is kind of making history."

"This is the first time we've done a couple of things," he added. "It's the first time we've offered scholarships (for cross country), and we have teams comprised of actual cross country runners."

Compared to previous campaigns, the Firebirds got an early jump on their practice schedule this summer and have their coach optimistic about what lies ahead. "We look good as a team already," Seager said. "I have the expectation that we're truly competitive for the first time."

Seager expects the men's team to be led by sophomores Joseph Carr (Roscommon) and Paul Owen (Gaylord), as well as by freshmen Grant Ijames (Pottsville), Jesse Moggo (Kalkaska) and Joseph Paladino (Kalkaska). Freshmen Spencer Derenzy (Grayling) and Joshua Dotson (Ogemaw Heights) are expected to improve and contribute more as the season progresses.

"We're solid on the men's side," Seager said. "We're deep and strong."

While the women's roster may be equally as talented, it's not as deep and is led by a pair of freshmen – a former Gaylord Blue Devil, Barb Council, and former Grayling Viking, Angie Martella. They'll be pushed by sophomore Monica Fiebelkorn (Roscommon), and freshmen Lisa Koch (Roscommon), Mindy Handrich (Fairview) and Sarah Ostroski (Standish-Sterling).



KCC firebirds cross country team began their season on Sept. 7 at the Northwood University Invitational in Midland.

"Lisa, Monica and Mindy are still learning the finer points of cross country," Seager said. "But they're going to be strong. They have a lot of energy and are learning quick. I think you'll see a sharp rise in their ability."

Seager, himself a competitive runner, said his goals for 2007 are three fold.

"No. 1, it's that they perform in the classroom," he said. "I believe in the value of education."

"The second thing I push as a coach is they represent KCC as a college ... that when they have that uniform on, they represent the college the best they can. When we're away, they're the ambassadors for the college," he added. "The last thing is that we have fun while we're doing this."

While hoping to climb up the standings in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association's Eastern Division, Seager admits that the cross country program at Kirtland is still taking "baby steps." But he added that 2007 should provide a solid building block for the program's long-term success.

"We're laying the foundation as a cross country program this year," Seager said. "My goal, in

the future ... is to not only have all cross country runners but to have returning runners."

After the season opener in Midland on Friday, the Firebirds will travel to Big Rapids on Sept. 21 for the Ferris State University Invitational, to Lansing on Sept. 28 for the Lansing Community College Invitational and to Rochester for the Michigan Intercollegiate Meet on Oct. 5. The last regular season meet is the Alma College Invitational in Alma on Oct. 12, with the Kirtland runners wrapping up their season at the MCCA Regional in Lansing on Oct. 27.

Despite the season starting this week, Seager said he is still looking for additional runners to join the Firebirds – for this year and next.

"I look for someone who has been running," he said. "We're looking for people who just enjoy the cross country sport. And we're always looking for next year's team."

For more information on the Firebirds cross country program or other KCC athletic programs, visit online at www.firebirds.kirtland.edu or call 989-275-5000, extension 385.

LEGAL ACTION

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GRAYLING Regular Meeting August 8, 2007

Members Present: Dennis Long, Cynthia Olson, Monica Ashton, Terry Wright.

Members Absent: Shawn Krays, two vacant positions.

Others Present: Steve Eddy, Richard Jaskowski, Blake Smith, Jennifer Wahr, Sheriff Wakefield.

Supervisor Wright called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Supervisor announced that an American Flag has been donated by Rosemary Nelson for display at the Township Hall. The flag was flown on July 8, 2007 in Baghdad in honor of Grayling Township Employees support during her deployment in An Nasiriyah, Iraq.

1. Correspondence: (No action required) A. E-911 Report for June. B. Recycling Report for July. C. Ordinance Enforcement Report for July. D. Building Permit List for July.

2. Motion by Long, second by Ashton, to approve minutes of June 27, 2007 Special Meeting, as presented. Ayes, four; Nays, none; Absent, one; Vacant, two. Motion carried.

3. Motion by Long, second by Olson, to approve the minutes of July 11, 2007 Regular Meeting as presented. Ayes, four; Nays, none; Absent, one; Vacant, two. Motion carried.

4. Motion by Long, second by Olson, to approve the minutes of July 19, 2007 Special Meeting after inserting the word "instead" after 50 % in the first motion (8th paragraph). Ayes, four; Nays, none; Absent, one; Vacant, two. Motion carried.

5. Treasurer's Report for July 2007 was distributed and placed on file.

6. Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield was available for questions.

7. Motion by Long, second by Olson, to set the regular meeting schedule for the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Grayling for the 2007-08 Fiscal Year. Meetings will be held on the third Tuesday of each month beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Township Hall, unless otherwise posted. Ayes, four; Nays, none; Absent, one; Vacant, two. Motion carried.

8. Blake Smith and Jennifer Wahr, of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Traverse City Office, were on hand to explain Rural Development Loan & Grant Programs available in Michigan. A Capital Improvements Planning work session is scheduled for Tuesday, September 4, 2007, at 7:00 p.m. in the Township Hall Conference Room.

9. Motion by Long, second by Ashton, to deny the request from the Grayling Recreation Authority for assistance with playground improvements at Hanson Hills due to financial and budget constraints. Ayes, four; Nays, none; Absent, one; Vacant, two. Motion carried.

10. Don Babcock, Managing Director of the Crawford County Road Commission forwarded packets of information regarding proposed road improvements in conjunction with Axiom Entertainment/Main Street America's proposed Planned Unit Development.

11. Motion by Olson, second by Long, to approve Employee policy Manual updates on Pg 6 and Pg 13 concerning employee re-evaluations and use of township vehicles, machines and trailers. Ayes, four; Nays, none; Absent, one; Vacant, two. Motion carried.

12. Proposal by Supervisor regarding a Special Assessment for waste services. Consensus that a Public Hearing should be held to discuss this and other options.

13. Motion by Long, second by Olson, to amend the Grayling Township Improvement Funds and General Fund 2007-08 Budgets to transfer \$29,913.00 from Township Improvements to General Fund to pay the paving invoice to Clough Ave. Special Assessment District, and the balance of Ole Dam Rd and Margrethe Blvd Special Assessment District Projects. Ayes, four; Nays, none; Absent, one; Vacant, two. Motion carried.

14. Other matters: Ray Ave. road-end situation was discussed. Consensus of Board that we recognize each road-end as an asset and have no intention of gifting or giving up right-of-ways to Lake Margrethe.

15. Motion by Ashton, second by Olson, to approve payment of claims on vouchers 5617-5618, 5622, 5624 through 5687, liquor insp \$120.00, Twp Bd and other Comm. fees \$755.00, Fire Dept. Loan \$11,040.71, Clough Ave. SAID paving \$10,335.00 for a grand total of \$134,407.56. Ayes, four; Nays, none; Absent, one; Vacant, two. Motion carried.

16. Motion by Olson, second by Long, to recess regular session and convene executive session regarding the Old Fire Barn on Alger Street. Ayes, four; Nays, none; Absent, one; Vacant, two. Motion carried.

17. Motion by Long, second by Olson, to adjourn executive session and re-convene regular meeting. Ayes, four; Nays, none; Absent, one; Vacant, two. Motion carried.

18. Motion by Long, second by Olson, that based on recent correction of information the township rescinds its July offer to liquidate its assets in the Old Fire Barn on Alger Street and propose the following: City may purchase our interest for \$58,500 (50% of building value) or as

an alternative the township offers to purchase the City's interest for \$94,500 which includes \$36,000 for the land value. The city owns the land. Grayling Township's only financial interest is in the building. Ayes, four; Nays, none; Absent, one; Vacant, two. Motion carried.

19. Consensus of Board to authorize Township Attorney to meet with City Attorney regarding contract negotiations for the Grayling City/Township Fire Department.

20. Motion to adjourn by Olson, second by Long, carried. Ayes, four; Nays, none; Absent, one; Vacant, two.

Monica Ashton, C.M.C.
Grayling Township Clerk

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Corey Rock, a single man and Kristen Gilmore, an adult woman, original mortgagor(s), to First National Bank of Gaylord, Mortgagee, dated April 10, 2003, and recorded on April 17, 2003 in Liber 629 on Page 230, in Crawford County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Two Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty And 92/100 Dollars (\$52,760.92), including interest at 5.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on September 26, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The South 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4, Section 5, Town 26 North, Range 2 West.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: August 23, 2007
For more information, please call:
FC F 248.593.1313
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #123115F02

-23-30-6-13

MORTGAGE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Notice is hereby given that Default has occurred in a Mortgage given by Stacey L. Hoover and Kimberly A. Hoover, husband and wife, mortgagors, to First National Bank of Gaylord, n/k/a Independent Bank, mortgagee. The Mortgage is dated March 4, 2002, and was recorded on March 7, 2002, in Liber 0572 on pages 406 through 414 of Crawford County records. The balance owing on the Mortgage as of the date of this Notice is \$66,076.49, including interest at 7.25% per year variable. The Mortgage contains a power of sale clause and no proceedings have been instituted to recover any part of the debt owing.

The Mortgage will be foreclosed by selling the property described below at a public auction to the highest bidder. The sale will be held on Wednesday, September 26, 2007, at 10:00 a.m. local

time at the main entrance to the Crawford County Court Facility, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan, that being the place of holding Circuit Court for Crawford County, Michigan. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the Mortgage, including interest, legal costs, attorney fees and any taxes or insurance which may be paid by the mortgagee before the sale.

The property to be sold is located in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford, Michigan and is described as: Part of the SE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 3, T26N, R3W, Grayling Twp., Crawford County, Michigan.

Commencing at the SE corner of said Section 3, thence N 1° 25' E (along the East section line), 662.07 ft to the Point of Beginning; thence S 89° 25' 40" W (recorded as N 89° 25' 40" W), 329.52 ft, thence N 1° 24' 05" E, 330.93 ft, thence N 89° 20' 40" E, 329.63 ft to the E section line, thence S 1° 25' W, 331.04 ft to the Point of Beginning. SUBJECT To and use of a 33 ft road and utility easement lying 33 ft North and adjacent to a line described as commencing at the SE corner of Section 3, T26N, R3W, thence N 1° 25' E (along the East section line), 662.07 ft to the Point of Beginning; thence S 89° 25' 40" W 988.55 ft to the Point of Ending.

The redemption period will expire six (6) months after the date of the foreclosure sale, unless the property is determined abandoned under MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period will expire 30 days after the date of the foreclosure sale, or when the time to provide notice under MCL 600.3241a (c) expires, whichever is later.

Dated: August 10, 2007
SMITH, MARTIN, POWERS AND KNIER, P.C.

By: Henry L. Knier, Jr. (P46393)
Attorney For Independent Bank, f/k/a First National Bank of Gaylord, Mortgagee
900 Washington Ave., P.O. Box 219
Bay City, MI 48707
(989) 892-4574

-23-30-6-13-20

MORTGAGE SALE

PETER M. SCHNEIDERMAN & ASSOCIATES, P.C., IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT, ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT (248)539-7400 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by HEATHER GORSKI, A MARRIED WOMAN and HELMUTH FRITZ, A MARRIED MAN, to THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO EMPIRE NATIONAL BANK, Mortgagee, dated May 19, 2000, and recorded on July 12, 2000, in Liber 0511, on Page 311, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty Thousand Four Hundred Ninety-Five Dollars and Seventeen Cents (\$30,495.17), including interest at 9.750% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan, at 10:00 AM o'clock, on October 10, 2007

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan and described as: LOT 16, WAKELEY WOODS SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 3 OF PLATS, PAGE 18, CRAWFORD COUNTY RECORDS.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: August 29, 2007
THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO EMPIRE NATIONAL BANK Mortgagee/Assignee

Peter M. Schneiderman & Associates, P.C.
23100 Providence Drive, Suite 450
Southfield, MI 48075

-6-13-20-27

GRAYLING REDSKINS FOOTBALL

Varsity (8th grade) - The Grayling Redskins 8th grade football team improved its record to 2-0 with a 14-0 victory over the Ogemaw Browns this past weekend.

"The first half was a defensive battle with neither team able to score," Coach Bill Dean said.

Grayling's defensive unit was led by Steve Enos, Brandon Beeda, Avery Bergman, David Bergan, Nick Dorn, Griffin Dean, and Riley Zigila. Grayling's defensive effort included a goal line stand that kept Ogemaw out of the end zone on first and goal from the 4-yard line.

In the second half, Grayling scored a touchdown on an acrobatic catch by Devon Dawson on a throw from quarterback Zane Tobin. Bergan caught the extra

point pass to give Grayling a 7-0 advantage.

Grayling also scored on a five-yard TD run by Enos, the fullback, and Zigila scored the extra point.

The Redskin defense, anchored by Russ Stein, Patrick Benardo, Tom Burrell, and Joey Schwartz, did not allow a first down in the second half.

Grayling will play on Saturday, Sept. 15, at 6 p.m. vs. Indian River.

Junior Varsity (7th grade) - Grayling's junior varsity Redskin team lost an 8-6 battle vs. the Ogemaw Browns over the weekend.

"It was a tough loss," Coach Jeff Parkinson said. "We scored on the opening drive to go up 6-0. Then on both sides of the ball we

had some mental breakdowns. Penalties hurt us, giving them some first downs when we should have stopped them."

On offense "we pounded the ball but had a few miscues that stopped our drives. We had just the one TD. (On defense) we held them tough but again miscues led them to score and kick the extra point to take the lead," Coach Parkinson said.

On defense, Jeff Enos had one fumble recovery and Tyler Powers had an interception.

"We were ready physically but it was our mental breakdown that stopped us from winning today," Coach Parkinson said.

The Redskins will host Gladwin at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 15, in the team's homecoming game.

LEGAL ACTION

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Lori Mills, a married woman and Jeffery Mills a married man, joint tenants with right of survivorship, original mortgagor(s), to Union Federal Bank of Indianapolis, Mortgagee, dated June 29, 2001, and recorded on July 3, 2001 in Liber 540 on Page 194, and modified by agreement dated January 30, 2006, and recorded on February 13, 2006 in Liber 679 on Page 812, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by mesne assignments to CitiMortgage, Inc. as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Sixteen And 21/100 Dollars (\$87,716.21), including interest at 5.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on October 10, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 17, Wakeley Woods Subdivision, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 18, Crawford County Records

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: September 6, 2007
For more information, please call:
FC C 248.593.1301
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #051616F02

FORECLOSURE NOTICE

FORECLOSURE NOTICE This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Lawrence J Julian, Married and Janet Julian a/k/a Janet K Julian, Non-Obligor Spouse/ Owner to The CIT Group/ Consumer Finance, Inc., Mortgagee, dated October 23, 2001 and recorded November 5, 2001 in Liber 558 Page 397 Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was subsequently assigned to: JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Trustee successor in interest to Bank One, N.A. as Trustee of the Structured Asset Securities Corporation, Amortizing Residential Collateral Trust, 2002-BC1, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirteen Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Seven Dollars and Forty-Eight Cents (\$113,897.48) including interest 12.04625% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Crawford

County at 10:00AM on Wednesday, October 3, 2007. Said premises are situated in Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The North 100 feet of the South 800 feet of the Southeast One-Quarter of the Northwest One-Quarter of Section 17, Town 27 North, Range 4 West, Township of Frederic, County of Crawford, State of Michigan Commonly known as 3563 N Manistee River Road, Frederic MI 49733 The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later. Dated: AUGUST 24, 2007 JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Trustee successor in interest to Bank One, N.A. as Trustee of the Structured Asset Securities Corporation, Amortizing Residential Collateral Trust, 2002-BC1, Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd, Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 07-77218 ASAP# 892329 08/30/2007, 09/06/2007, 09/13/2007, 09/20/2007

MORTGAGE SALE

PETER M. SCHNEIDERMAN & ASSOCIATES, P.C., IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT (248)339-7400 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by THOMAS HEISEL and GREER HEISEL, HUSBAND AND WIFE, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 27, 2005, and recorded on July 11, 2005, in Liber 676, on Page 189, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Four Thousand Five Hundred Forty-Nine Dollars and Fifty-Three Cents (\$84,549.53), including interest at 8.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan, at 10:00 AM o'clock, on October 10, 2007

Said premises are situated in Township of GRAYLING, Crawford County, Michigan and described as: LOT 9, BLOCK 4, KAREN WOODS SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN LIBER 1 OF PLATS, PAGE 44, CRAWFORD COUNTY RECORDS.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: August 29, 2007
Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee/Assignee

Peter M. Schneiderman & Associates, P.C.
23100 Providence Drive, Suite 450
Southfield, MI 48075

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by William Tipton, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to Citizens Bank, Mortgagee, dated March 8, 2002, and recorded on March 21, 2002 in Liber 574 on Page 122, and assigned by mesne assignments to Homestead Lending Inc., as assignee by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Eleven Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety-Six And 17/100 Dollars (\$111,796.17), including interest at 8% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on October 3, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots numbered 714 and 715, Indian Glens of the AU Sable, No. 6, Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 4 of Plats, Page 1 through 14, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: August 30, 2007
For more information, please call:
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Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #058104F03

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Roland Wilkins, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated May 25, 2006, and recorded on May 31, 2006 in Liber 681 on Page 733, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to U.S. Bank National Association as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Three Thousand One Hundred And 98/100 Dollars (\$83,100.98), including interest at 10.55% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on September 26, 2007.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at a point 32 rods West of the Northeast corner of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 8, Town 26 North, Range 3 West, thence South 20 rods, thence West 8 rods, thence North 20 rods, thence East 8 rods to the point of beginning. Being part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 8, Town 26 North, Range 3 West.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless deter-

mined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: August 23, 2007
For more information, please call:
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Attorneys For Servicer
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Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #156738F01

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by John Lasby AKA John A. Lasby, a single man, to Chase Home Finance LLC, successor by merger to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, a New Jersey Corporation, Mortgagee, dated April 26, 2002 and recorded April 30, 2002 in Liber 579, Page 473, Crawford County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy-One and 58/100 Dollars (\$57,971.58) including interest at 7.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on OCTOBER 3, 2007.

Said premises are located in the City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lots 1 and 2, Block 5, Martha M. Brink's Second Addition to the Village (now City) of Grayling, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 29, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: August 30, 2007
Orlans Associates, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
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(248) 457-1000
File No. 310.2077

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Steven C. Walters and Suzanne M. Walters, husband and wife, to Option One Mortgage Corporation, a California Corporation, Mortgagee, dated July 1, 2004 and recorded July 9, 2004 in Liber 669, Page 877, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Deutsche Bank, National Trust Company, as Trustee for Morgan Stanley ABS Capital I Inc. Trust 2005-HE1 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-HE1 by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty Thousand Forty-Nine and 58/100 Dollars (\$50,049.58) including interest at 9.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on OCTOBER 3, 2007.

Said premises are located in the Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 23, except the Westerly 5 feet of the North 106 feet, and Lots 24 and 25, Assessor's Plat of West Lake Park, Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded Plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 1 Crawford County Records. Property contains a 1993 Ridge pre-fabricated/Mobile Home, Serial Number 11245035, Width is 24 by Length 40.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: August 30, 2007
Orlans Associates, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
(248) 457-1000 File No. 221.5964
-30-6-13-20

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by David L Praise and Lorrie Praise, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Amerquest Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated April 23, 2004, and recorded on July 26, 2004 in Liber 670 on Page 554, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as trustee for the benefit Park Place Securities, Inc., Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2004-MCWI as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-One Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty-Six And 15/100 Dollars (\$51,856.15), including interest at 11% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on September 26, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: A parcel of land commencing at the Southeast corner of Lot six (6), of Brown and Johnson's Addition to the Village of Frederic, According to the recorded plat thereof; thence running South 66 feet; thence West 120 feet; thence North 66 feet; thence East 120 feet to the point of beginning, being a part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 35, Town 28 North, Range 4 West, (part of abandoned Mill Street located in Brown and Johnson's Addition to the Village of Frederic)

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: August 23, 2007
For more information, please call:
FC X 248.593.1302
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
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Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #157093F01

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has

been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Josephine M. Starks, a single woman, to Citizens Bank, a Michigan Banking Corporation, Mortgagee, dated May 27, 1999 and recorded June 9, 1999 in Liber 483, Page 280, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Countrywide Home Loans, Inc. by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Twenty Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Two and 43/100 Dollars (\$20,992.43) including interest at 7% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on SEPTEMBER 26, 2007.

Said premises are located in the City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 4 and the Northwest one-half of Lot 3, Block 25, Roffee's Addition to the Village (now City) of Grayling, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 11, Crawford County Records. Subject to an easement over and across the Northwestern five feet of Lot 4, Block 25, Roffee's Addition to the Village (now City) of Grayling.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: August 23, 2007
Orlans Associates, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
(248) 457-1000 File No. 285.1940
-23-30-6-13

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Kevin G. Hunter, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to CitiFinancial Mortgage Company, Inc., Mortgagee, dated June 29, 2004, and recorded on July 1, 2004 in Liber 669 on Page 714, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-Six And 96/100 Dollars (\$80,466.96), including interest at 8.6% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on October 17, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The West 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 22, Town 25 North, Range 4 West, more particularly described as: Commencing at the North 1/4 corner of said Section 22; thence South 89 degrees 38 minutes 30 seconds West, along Section line, 823.62 feet, to the point of beginning; thence South 01 degree 01 minutes 30 seconds West, 661.09 feet; thence South 89 degrees 40 minutes 30 seconds West, 164.70 feet; thence North 01 degrees 01 minutes 20 seconds East, 661.01 feet; thence North 89 degrees 38 minutes 50 seconds East, along Section line, 164.72 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: September 13, 2007
For more information, please call:
FC C 248.593.1301
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #160841F01

-13-20-27-4

PUBLIC NOTICE TO RESIDENTS WITHIN 300 FEET

Frederic Township resident be notified the Zoning Board of Appeals will be holding a public hearing on September 26, 2007, at 7:00 pm in the Frederic Township Hall, located at 7564 C.R. 612, to hear the following case (s):

2207 V 005 Owner: Robert & Delores Kronberg, Petitioner
115 Tamarack Circle
Grayling, MI 49738
Frederic Township
Parcel #20-032-300-000-025-00

The Petitioner is requesting a variance in order to add a privacy fence 7 ft tall (3 foot taller than allowed by the ordinance) and 19 ft closer to the Manistee River District ordinance.

Tentative text and maps may be examined at the Frederic Township office during normal business hours.

Correspondence concerning the request should be directed to Frederic Township Zoning Dept., P.O. Box 78, Frederic, MI 49733 Telephone (989) 348-8778.

Douglas J. Pratt
Frederic Twp
Zoning Administrator

Crawford County Board of Commissioners meeting minutes are now available on the county website: www.crawfordco.org eight days following the scheduled board meeting or may be obtained at the County Clerk's office for six (6) cents per page.

Sandra Moore
County Clerk/Register of Deeds
October 11, 2002

Charter Township of Grayling

Board of Trustees Meets

Third Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at the township hall.

Zoning Board of Appeals Meets

Third Monday of the month at 7 p.m. at the township hall.

Planning Commission Meets

the last Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at the township hall.
Unless otherwise scheduled.

FEATURES

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE



Sept. 14, 1961- The probable starting line-up for the Grayling Vikings 1961 football season are shown in line from L to R: Tom Wright, Ted Carlson, Norman Sorenson, Harvey Merithew, Larry Millikin, Tom Tyron, and Martin Tinker; (back row) Chris Kroll, Mike Young, Tim Neal, Tom LaMotte and Lacey Stephan.

**23 Years Ago
September 13, 1984**

Local fund raisers at the Grayling Legion Post helped raise \$7,053 during the Labor Day Muscular Dystrophy Association national telethon for Jerry's Kids. Approximately \$6,000 in pledges were taken by Grayling volunteers over the phone, while another \$1,053 in cash was collected in a fish bowl donation container at the Legion.

The 52,320 square-foot Kmart discount store on S. Grayling, will open to the public at 9 a.m. Thursday, September 20, according to manager Leslie C. Felder. The Grayling Kmart will bring the number of Kmart stores in Michigan to 134 as Kmart

Corporation continues to add stores in the state.

In the Vikings first football game of the season, Kevin McDonough ran in an interception for a touchdown to put Grayling back in the game and Rodney Patterson closed the door to Roscommon with two touchdowns. McDonough's 31-yard touchdown helped the Vikings recover from a 71-yard touchdown pass Roscommon scored on their third play of the game. Patterson's 21-yard touchdown put Grayling in the lead and a 75-yard bomb from Jeff Branch to Patterson sealed the 18-7 win in the fourth quarter.

Sophomore Michelle Moore, starting her first varsity game,

made a crucial steal and put in a picturesque breakaway lay-up for the winning basket, in Grayling's stunning 41-39 come-from-behind win over Johannesburg.

A public meeting about plans for upgrading Camp Grayling for year-around use will be held Sept. 19, in the Grayling Middle School gym. National Guard officers will present proposals for winterizing and improving facilities at Camp Grayling.

**46 Years Ago
September 14, 1961**

The father and son shoot out was held at noon on Sunday, at the trap field, at the Grayling Sportsmen's Club. The boys shooting 20 gauge guns against their father's larger ones still did very well. Bill Joseph, Jr., racked up the top score of the day hitting 21 targets as did Terry Smith in his second round. Jack Welch posted a 20 as did Terry Smith on his first round. Bill Joseph Sr., hit 19, and Bill Jr., got 19 in his second round. Larry McNamara, one of the instructors, also turned in a 19 with Thane Hendershot hitting 19 and Bob Hayes 16. Other shooters and their scores were: Lester Welch 10; John Cook Jr. 13 and 14; Mark Hendershot 14; Kyle Slusser 12; John Cook Sr., 17 and 16.

Pamela Peterson was eight years old on Sept. 6. A surprise party was given by her mother, Mrs. Dale Peterson, to celebrate the event. Guests were: Becky Kangas, Mary Beth Wilson, Claudia Henig, Joan Welsh,

Marie McIsaac, Mary Kay Hunter, Sherry Millikin, Kathy Ellison, Raylene Slusser, Dalene and Danny Peterson. There were games, prizes and balloons given to all, with ice cream and birthday cake for refreshments.

**69 Years Ago
September 15, 1938**

Thorwald Sorenson sold his home on Michigan Avenue to William Leng of Frederic, and with Mrs. Sorenson and two little daughters Jenine and Rita, have gone to Detroit to take up residence there.

The city has been building several stretches of new sidewalks on Spruce Street near McClellan, on Park Street near Lake Street on Ogemaw and on Michigan Avenue in front of the Sam Rasmussen and Mrs. Rasmus Jorgenson properties.

**92 Years Ago
September 16, 1915**

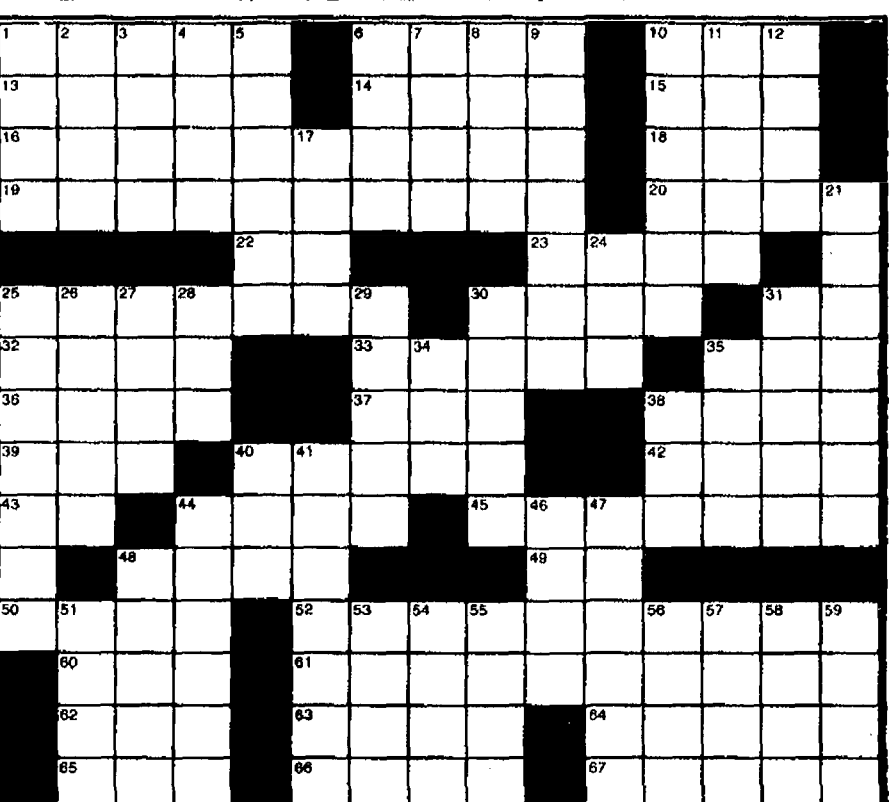
T.E. Douglas is in Saginaw purchasing furniture for the new clubroom at the Douglas Hotel.

The Lovells School began Sept. 7, with Miss Matilda Foley as the teacher.

Little Jack Brisboe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Brisboe, had the misfortune to break his arm in two places, when he fell off the porch while playing at his home.

Miss Lillian Bates left this week for Vanderbilt to take a position as teacher in the primary department of the school's there.

CROSSWORD



- Across**
1. Unfortunate development.
 6. Dense, visible air pollution.
 10. Female.
 13. Ancient Greek city-state.
 14. Telugu language film directed by V.V. Vinayak.
 15. Impress greatly.
 16. Used of vowels.
 18. Anger.
 19. Studied thoroughly.
 20. North American yellow-breasted songbird.
 22. Unit of pressure equal to one newton per square meter.
 23. Declare in a very loud voice.
 25. Expressing horror.
 30. Short, straight boxing punches.
 31. Novel by Yevgeny Zamyatin.
 32. Malador. Giovanni Timeus ...
 33. Obtains rewards.
 35. Unit of currency in India.
 36. Bark in a high-pitched tone.
 37. Either extremity of something with length.
 38. Utter in a grating voice.
 39. Strong-scented, European perennial herbs with gray-green bitter-tasting leaves.
 40. Poplar widely cultivated in the United States with white bark.
 42. Suffix used in the formation of names of classes and orders.
 43. Attometer.
 44. Slanting diagonally across fabric grain.
 45. One who meanly shrinks from danger.
 48. Something of little value.
 49. Extended Play.
 50. Good fortune.
 52. Thigh muscle.
 60. Northern African musical instrument resembling a lute.
 61. Unendurable.
 62. Acronym for Legally Binding Instrument.
 63. Place of complete bliss, delight and peace.
 64. Currently in progress.
 65. Payment.
 66. Convey.
 67. City on the River Aire in West Yorkshire in northern England.
- Down**
1. Encourage someone to try harder.
 2. Kind of swelling in the cheek.
 3. Exclamation expressive of sorrow.
 4. The ... episodes from the TV show The Outer Limits.
 6. Synchronization.
 7. Fictional planet created by Alan Dean Foster for his Humanx Commonwealth universe.
 8. S-shaped ornamental molding.
 9. Command used to speed up a horse.
 10. Drinks alcohol in large amounts.
 11. Pertaining to an hour.
 12. Tall, slender vessel with a spout and handle.
 17. Name meaning "awakened" in Hebrew.
 21. Protective covering for the knee.
 24. Compass point one point south of due east.
 25. Large rake for collecting hay.
 26. Heavy, oily, strongly corrosive solution of sulfur trioxide in anhydrous sulfuric acid.
 27. What something is used for.
 28. Agitation of water caused by the interaction of currents.
 29. Song off Hemispheres album by Rush.
 30. Dullied by surflet.
 31. Marked by deep understanding.
 34. Inflammatory complication of leprosy that results in painful skin lesions on the arms, legs and face.
 35. Large burrowing rodent of South and Central America.
 38. Give away information about someone.
 40. Direct a remark toward an intended goal.
 41. Well-prepared and greatly enjoyed meal.
 44. Principal bad character in a film.
 46. Acronym for American Educational Research Association.
 47. Flying downward in a helical path with a large radius.
 48. Braised meat stew.
 51. Sport involving hitting a ball into a hole with clubs.
 53. Cause to become loose.
 54. Assist in some wrongdoing.
 55. Athabaskan-speaking peoples of northwest Canada and inland Alaska considered as a group.
 56. Small restaurant serving coffee.
 57. Acronym for Eaton Board of Education.
 58. Walk heavily and firmly.
 59. Electronic equipment that receives or transmits radio or TV signals.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK



Southern-Style Sausage & Apples with Cheese Grits

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|-------------------------------------|--|
| 2 1/4 cups low-fat milk | 1 package (7 oz.) precooked sausage links* |
| 1/2 cup old-fashioned white grits | 1 large red or green apple, cut into 1/4-inch-thick slices |
| 1 clove garlic, minced | 2 tablespoons pure maple syrup |
| 1/2 teaspoon salt | |
| 1 cup shredded sharp Cheddar cheese | |

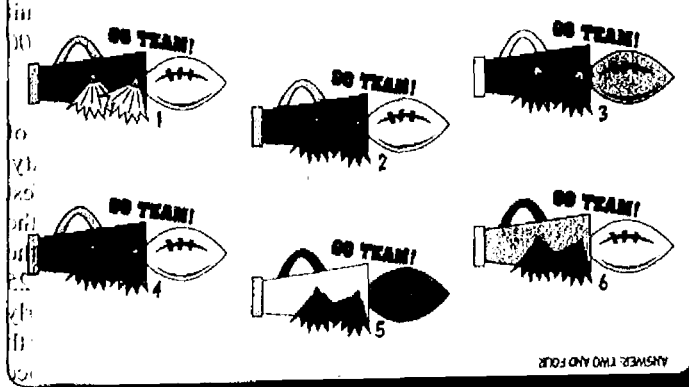
Whisk together milk and grits in heavy medium saucepan. Bring to simmer over high heat, whisking occasionally. Reduce heat to low, stir in garlic and salt. Cover, simmer 12 to 14 minutes or until thickened, whisking once or twice. Stir cheese into hot cooked grits until melted. Meanwhile, cook sausage links in large nonstick skillet over medium heat until heated through. Add apple slices; continue cooking, turning occasionally, until sausage is cooked through and apple is tender, 2 to 3 minutes. Drizzle syrup over sausage and apple, cook 2 minutes or until thickened. Serve over grits.

Serves 4

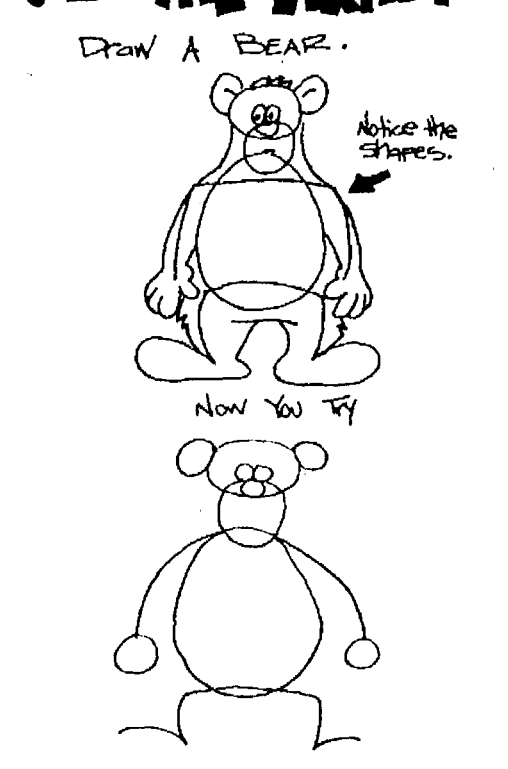


FIND THE TWINS

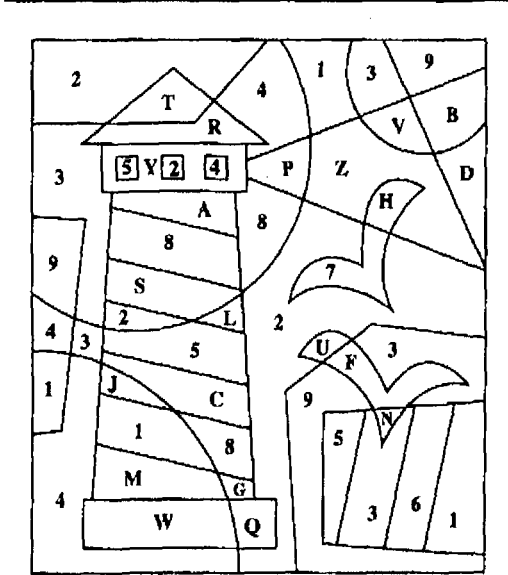
WHICH TWO ARE EXACTLY ALIKE?



U.B. THE ARTIST



HIDDEN PICTURE



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ADOPT A PET



Motor

Motor is a great kitten. He is 5 to 6 months old and just a blast. He loves to play and snuggle. He has been neutered, Feline leukemia tested and vaccinated. He wants to go home with you.

Eva

Eva is a wonderful mixed breed dog. She is young and active and affectionate. She does well with other dogs and is a joy to have around. She is spayed and vaccinated.



The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is a participating member of the Very Best Pet Network.

AuSable Valley Animal Shelter is located at:
5786 Fairground Lane, Grayling
Use the entrance to the Crawford County Fairgrounds
Hours: Open 9 to 3 Monday thru Saturday, 9 to 12 on Sundays and Holidays
After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117
For more pets or more information, visit our website www.ascc.petfinder.com

HOROSCOPES

For the week of September 13, 2007

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| <p>Capricorn
December 22-January 19</p> <p>Oh my, Capricorn. Jealousy rears its ugly head at a fall event and sets things into motion. Be prepared to play peacemaker. A weekend getaway provides some much-needed solace.</p> | <p>Aries
March 21-April 19</p> <p>Yippee, Aries. Financial worries cease, as a new source of revenue begins to trickle in. Be wary of a relative's increasing presence. They may have an ulterior motive.</p> | <p>Cancer
June 22-July 22</p> <p>Listen up, Cancer. An old neighbor hits a rough patch. Your advice is crucial, but in order for it to be heard, you must present it in the right package at the right time.</p> | <p>Libra
September 23-October 22</p> <p>Think you're right, Libra? Not this time. You don't always have the answer, and in this case, it is best to admit that and let someone else take the lead.</p> |
| <p>Aquarius
January 20-February 18</p> <p>An old chum sets off on a great adventure. Wish them well. Aquarius. Speed is not the answer to finishing a project at home. Take your time and divide and conquer.</p> | <p>Taurus
April 20-May 20</p> <p>Moments of weakness multiply. Taurus, and family life begins to suffer. Learn to say no. Vacation planning begins, just in the nick of time!</p> | <p>Leo
July 23-August 22</p> <p>Changing times call for drastic measures. Leo, but harboring ill will is not the way to go. Confrontation is required. You'll be surprised by what is said.</p> | <p>Scorpio
October 23-November 21</p> <p>A new pal invites you on a trip. Pack your bags and go, Scorpio. The experiences you share will make your bond stronger. A message sheds light on a mystery.</p> |
| <p>Pisces
February 19-March 20</p> <p>Slippin', Pisces? Pull out the calendar and make certain that you haven't forgotten something important. You may be surprised by what you discover.</p> | <p>Gemini
May 21-June 21</p> <p>Watch out, Gemini. A young pal's obsession is getting out of control. Intervene with a firm, but loving hand. An amazing miracle provides a reason for celebration.</p> | <p>Virgo
August 23-September 22</p> <p>Tsk-tsk, Virgo. Errors in judgment here and there cause project delays. Bring the team together, devise a new plan and get going. Time is running out.</p> | <p>Sagittarius
November 22-December 21</p> <p>Yes, Sagittarius. Understanding will play a big part in resuming an old relationship. Learn what really was at fault for the breakup and accept it with compassion.</p> |

FOR ENTERTAINMENT PURPOSES ONLY

WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Last Week				Extended Forecast (Courtesy of the Weather.com)					
Date	H	L	Precip. Inches	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
9/5	89	55	0						
9/6	85	68	0.39	High 71	High 60	High 60	High 66	High 66	High 64
9/7	74	50	0.79	Low 49	Low 37	Low 34	Low 42	Low 43	Low 44
9/8	76	46	0						
9/9	75	46	0						
9/10	57	47	0.36	Partly Cloudy	Showers	Scattered Showers	Partly Cloudy	Scattered Showers	Partly Cloudy

ADVERTISING CLASSIFIED

Crawford County Avalanche

Classifieds must be paid for in advance
Display Advertising Rate - \$8.00 per column inch
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1. Real Estate

HOME FOR SALE 4 to 6 bedroom, 2 bath executive retreat or large family home with outbuildings in Lovells. Bank appraised at \$255,000, now available for \$179,000. Call 989-732-2600. (7/26/07)(f1)

1. Real Estate

OPPORTUNITY up to 9 plus acres commercial plot. Downtown St. Helen 2 miles off I-75. Ideal location for any large venture, 25 minutes from new proposed activity center. Call 989-389-1428. (LR9/27/07/1)

1. Real Estate

RIVERFRONT RANCH w/ 3 BR. 2 bath main floor. Walkout basement has family room, two finished rooms as bedrooms/office/den. 2-car garage, large pole bldg., \$265,000. 989-348-8524. (-30-6-13-20-27-4/1)

1. Real Estate

2-3 BEDROOM 2 bath, year round ranch in peaceful setting, on maintained road, near lakes and snowmobiling. (586) 446-0004, (586) 713-7500. (6/22/06)(f1)

FOR SALE 3 bedroom mobile home, 1,000 sq. ft. on nice 1/2 acre + lot. All new doors, all new flooring thru out, all new light fixtures, bathroom remodeled. Has built over steel roof. Asking \$22,000 O.B.O. For more info call 989-390-9977, 989-275-6382. (-23-30-6-13/1)

2. For Rent

ONE BEDROOM IN TOWN \$400/month, no pets, references. Call 231-675-1619. (8/9/07)(f2)

MOBILE HOMES 4 RENT \$425 and up, some pet restrictions. Also, trailers for sale. 348-5278. (9/28/06)(f2)

2. For Rent

SENIOR APARTMENTS AVAILABLE at The Brook Retirement Communities. Offering Independent and Assisted Living. Lots of amenities, activities, beautiful surroundings and affordable living. Communities located in: Houghton Lake (989) 422-7200, Roscommon (989) 275-4000, West Branch (989) 343-1400, Gladwin (989) 426-8700. Call or stop by today for a personalized tour. (5/10/2007)(f2)

FOR RENT Efficiency cabin. Quiet country setting, utilities paid. Call 989-348-8350. (8/2/07)(f2)

HOME FOR RENT 4 to 6 bedroom, 2 bath executive retreat or large family home with outbuildings in Lovells. \$1,200 per month plus utilities. Call 989-732-2600. (7/26/07)(f2)

HOUSE FOR RENT 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, 2 1/2 car garage, range, refrigerator, washer and dryer. West of Grayling by Lake Margrethe. \$750/month, plus \$750/security. No pets. 231-360-0453, 231-938-2520. (-6-13/2)

2 BEDROOMS updated kitchen, 2 enclosed porches, garden plot, heat and water included. \$600. One month deposit. 989-348-8793 or 760-567-5536. (-6-13/2)

3 BEDROOM HOUSE for rent, located on M-72 East, 10 miles out of town. \$800 monthly plus one month security deposit. No pets of any kind. Utilities not included. 989-348-6649. (-30-6-13-20/2)

2. For Rent

HOUSE FOR RENT 3 bedrooms in town. Call 989-732-3828. (-30-6-13/2)

NICE, CLEAN 3 BEDROOM newer ranch home. Natural gas, nice neighborhood, 1 1/2 bath, garage, nonsmoking. \$710, references. 1056 Little John Ave. 989-348-2178. (9/6/07)(f2)

OFFICE SPACE in Roscommon, great location. \$550 per month, plus utilities. 989-348-2466, AuSable Rentals. (5/3/07)(f2)

COZY 2 BEDROOM CABIN Walk to Higgins Lake. \$450 plus security & utilities. 586-907-0739. (-13-20/2)

BEAUTIFUL, CLEAN fully furnished 3 bedroom home just steps away from Higgins Lake. Available immediately. \$625 per month, no pets, nonsmoking. Call 231-218-8529. (-13-20-27/2)

RIVERVIEW SENIOR APTS. 306 Knight St. in Grayling is updating the waiting list for one and two bedroom units. Persons must be 62 years of age or older or disabled of any age. Rent based on income with limited subsidy. Barrier free units in the building. Community room and laundry area for residents use. Applications at office or on site or by calling 1-800-225-7982. Managed by Stratford Group Ltd., 442 W. Baldwin, Alpena, MI 49707. Equal Housing Opportunity. TDD # 1-800-855-1155. (-6-13/2)

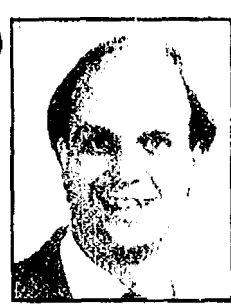
2 BEDROOM DUPLEX for rent. \$475 plus security. 989-348-5230. (-6-13-20-27/2)



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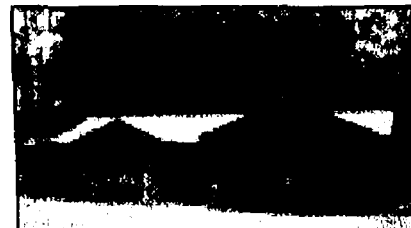
100' FRONTAGE ON BEAUTIFUL LAKE MARGRETHE! Entertaining is part of the real joy of owning this lakefront chalet. Open floor plan with cathedral ceiling and beautiful brick fireplace for those cozy evenings. 4 bedrooms, 3 baths offers 2,063 sq. ft. Well for all appliances included. Snack bar. Master suite offers large walk-in closet and separate tub with separate shower. New roof on house and garage. Paver sidewalks. Sprinkler system. 2 car detached garage. Black top driveway. Beautifully landscaped. \$559,000. CS-2551



ENCHANTING COTTAGE Beautiful log home offering 2,075 square feet with 3 bedrooms, 2 baths. Great room and dining room each has impressive stone fireplace from floor to ceiling. Cathedral ceilings. Unique log staircase to loft. Kohler plumbing fixtures. Central air, stereo surround system and underground sprinkling system. New roof, doors and windows. Beautifully landscaped with pavers on sidewalks. Breath taking views of Lake Margrethe. \$399,000. CS-2475



AN ELEGANT APPROACH TO TRADITIONAL STYLE! Well maintained 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath home with basement. Newly remodeled kitchen with solid maple cabinets, lazy susan, and snack bar. Living Room offers wood stove with brick surround. New vinyl siding and roof 2005. Circle driveway. Very tastefully decorated. Large deck off property. Nicely landscaped. Sited trees on dining room. Very Nice - A MUST SEE. CS-2490 \$109,000



DISTINCTIVE ARCHITECTURE. This ultimate cedar sided home offers all you want. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, vaulted ceilings, historic kitchen cabinets with custom details, countertops and snack bar. Appliances include stove, refrigerator, built in microwave, washer and dryer. Tile floors in kitchen, dining room, foyer, hall and baths. Gas fireplace with stone surround. Bedrock carpet. Large cedar deck. Sprinkler system. Very nice subdivision of 4 Mile Rd. with mature trees on cul-de-sac with nice homes on paved road. CS-2515 \$157,000

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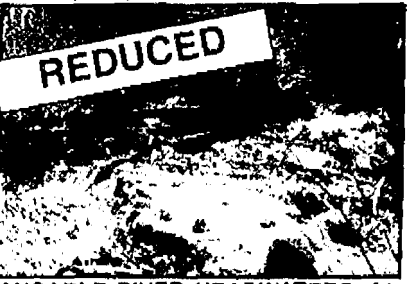
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VERY CLOSE ACCESS TO THE NORTH BRANCH AUSALE RIVER. Freshly renovated 1,200 s.f. home with 3 bedrooms and one bath. New steel roof, siding and windows. Home offers knotty pine 1 & G interior, vaulted ceiling with open staircase, doorwall off dining room onto deck, pellet stove with stone hearth and six panel pine doors. CH-2596 \$119,900



AUSALE RIVER HEADWATERS, 61 ACRES ADJOINING STATE LAND Bradford Creek frontage on each side. Second creek-tributary through acreage. Two streams with approximately 4,400' frontage. Ideal location for recreational hunting-fishing retreat. Electricity, gas, well. CH-2329 \$119,900



100' FRONTAGE ON THE AUSALE RIVER. 700 s.f. cabin with 2 bedrooms and 1 bath. Roof only 5 years old. Drywall interior, drywall for sink, oil space heater and large wrap around decking. CH-2365 \$75,000



QUALITY - with rustic flair! Beautiful 5 acres of hardwoods. AUSALE State Forest across the road. 1,480 s.f., three bedrooms, two baths, and full partially finished basement. Knotty pine interior walls, vaulted pine ceilings, and six panel pine doors. Gas log stone fireplace. Double French doors onto private rear patio. Beautiful landscaped yard with sidewalks, covered porch, and rock gardens. Attached finished and heated garage with adjoining dog kennel. Detached garage is 32 x 40 finished and heated with overhead door and 16' ceiling. Rustic furniture available. CH-2478 \$215,000



WOODY AMBIENCE AND A BREEZY LOCATION ADJOINING STATE LAND Beautiful cedar sided home with knotty pine tongue and groove and drywall interior. Living room offers 17' cathedral ceiling. Family room offers wood stove with cultured stone surround and 9 ceilings. Ceramic tile floors in kitchen, dining, foyer and bath. Kitchen offers hickory cabinets, bling rock top with 2 griddles, and wood vent. Central air conditioning. 24x40 pole barn. Large deck. Walking distance to Manistee River. \$179,500. CS-2548



APPROXIMATELY 800' MEANDERING RIVER FRONTAGE on the East Branch AUSALE River. 1,056 s.f., three bedroom home offering riverside deck under huge white pine canopy. Open great room and large living room with picture window. 24X32 heated and insulated garage with lean-to for additional storage. Very private setting with awesome views of horseshoe bend in river. Close to state land and trails. CH-2503 \$169,000

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NEW LISTING

Sparkling interior in this roomy 3 bedroom home. Family room addition, bright kitchen w/snack bar, extra insulation throughout, huge deck, carport, 24x32 heated pole barn, just minutes to Higgins Lake, Lake Margrethe, Fox Run, & West STATE LAND across street. #5891 \$95,000.00

NEW LISTING

Three bedroom, two bath, 2.5 car garage. Manistee River Woods subdivision, backs up to open space & you share Manistee River frontage! Home shows brand new wood floors in kitchen, dining & front entrance. #5908 \$105,900

NEW LISTING

Secluded feeling on a nicely landscaped parcel over an acre in size, & just a mile out of town! 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, fireplace, living & family rooms, fenced yard, garden area, large deck, workshop and a full second level to the garage! #5911 \$138,000.00

NEW LISTING

Tabulous wooded 40 acres w/2,200 sq.ft. office/home, plus 60x81 insulated & heated pole barn and smaller 600 sq.ft. pole barn. Many opportunities await you at this unique property! #5912 \$245,000

NEW LISTING

Beautiful wooded setting w/curb appeal galore! Custom home has 3,500 square feet, ceramic tiled kitchen, master suite w/hardwood floors & large walk-in shower. Also weight room, office, den, game room, & family room. generator back-up, second 2 car detached garage, black top drive, & fireplace. #5904 \$259,000.00

REDUCED

2 bedroom, 2 bath home, only lived in 3 months, 1188 square feet, vaulted ceilings, fireplace, 2 car attached garage in nice small subdivision, 2 miles from Higgins Lake. #5826 \$84,000

COMMERCIAL

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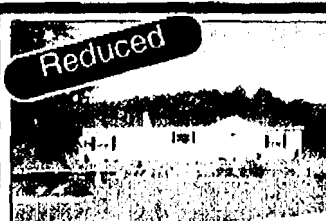
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Please fax resume to:
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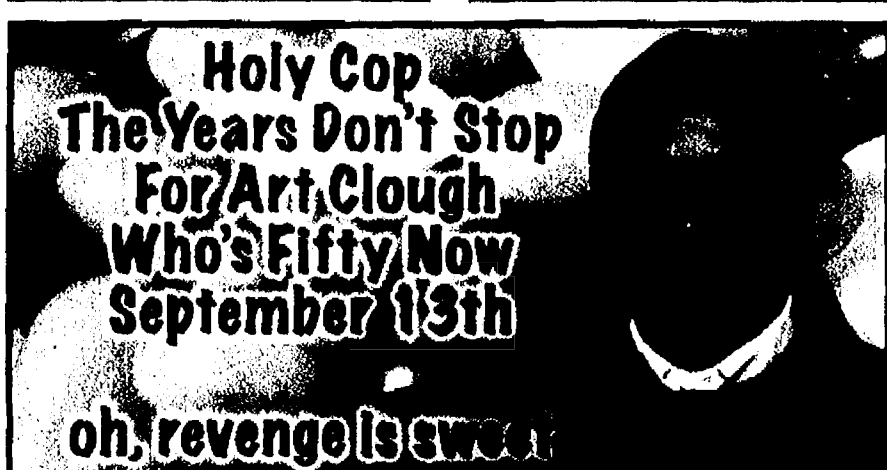
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Give your old kitchen a new look

(ARA) – Think you need a TV crew to transform the look of your home? Think again. Leslie Segrete, star of “While You Were Out” and “Trading Spaces,” says it’s possible for anyone to make major home improvements, especially in the kitchen, with a small budget and some elbow grease.

“The kitchen should be the hub of your home, where you can spend time with family and friends,” says Segrete. “However, if your kitchen makes you want to dine out – it’s time for an update.”

With a limited budget, here are Segrete’s tips to make your kitchen comfortable and inviting while also achieving the best bang for your buck.

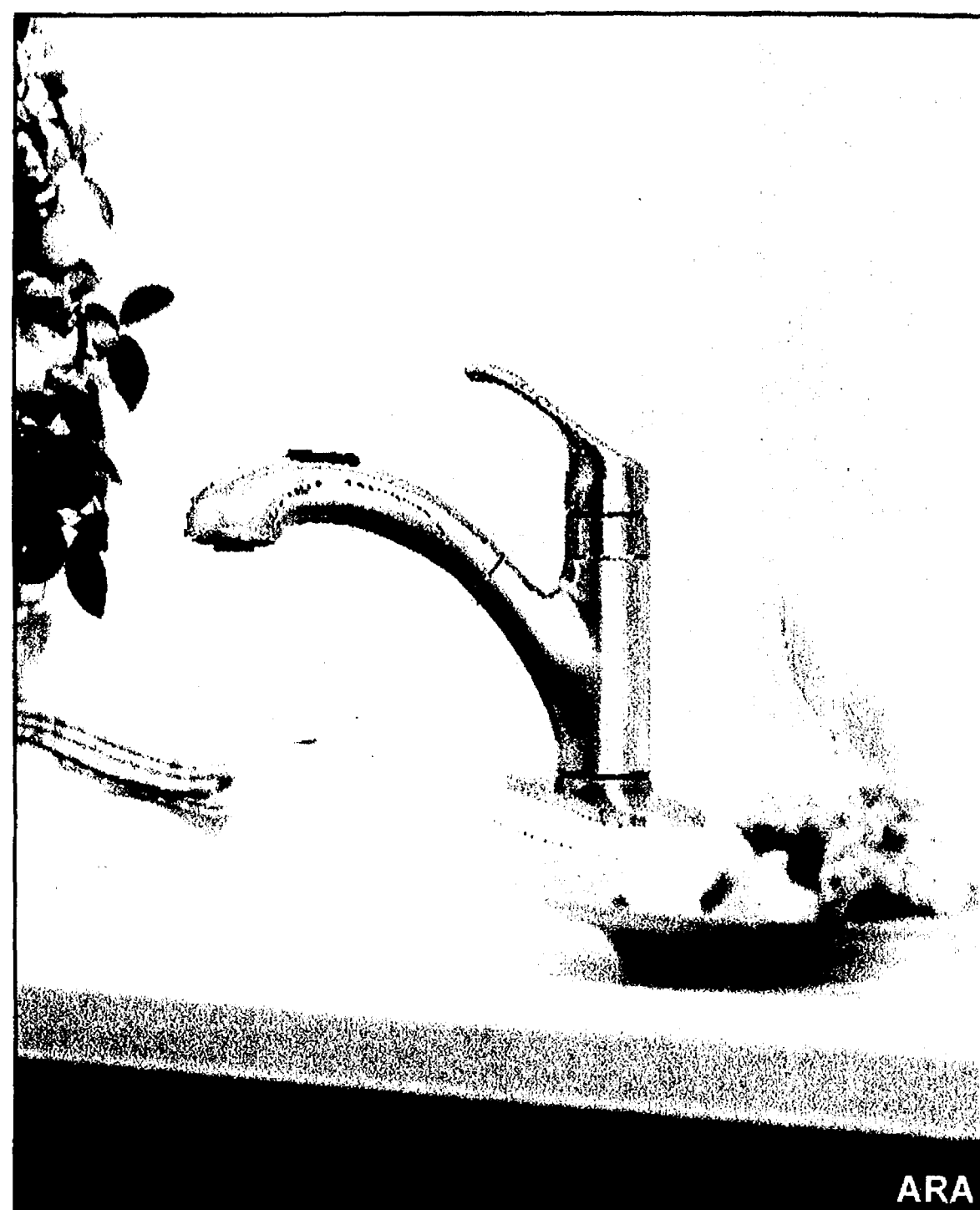
Freshen Your Flooring

There are a variety of easy-to-install, inexpensive and great-looking flooring materials available today. Laminates offer looks that replicate wood grains, natural stone and tile and are easily installed. Engineered hardwood flooring can withstand wear and moist environments. Plus, new innovative, locking systems make this an easy DIY project.

Once chosen, remove all furniture and appliances and create a level sub-floor by installing 1/4-inch plywood over your existing surface. Install your flooring and enjoy the beautiful new room foundation.

Complement the Cabinets

Do your cabinets need a facelift? Updating the look of your kitchen cabinets is an ideal project. Remove all the cabinet doors, drawers and hardware, labeling each for easy



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reassembly. For solid wood cabinets, strip, sand, repair and clean the wood to create a fresh surface. Then, apply a new stain and urethane top coat. Laminate or wood veneer cabinets can easily be updated with a fresh coat of paint; use high-gloss paint for a sleek modern finish or try a faux-finish distressing technique, for a more traditional look. Clean and prime the surface before you add a new color. For the final touch replace knobs and drawer pulls with new, updated finishes.

Accessorize at the Sink

While changing a sink may be more than you’re willing or able to do, simply installing a new faucet can update styling and enhance functionality. Faucets today come in a wealth of designs and feature coordinating accessories, such as soap/lotion dispensers. Add one of the most popular styles, a high arc faucet. This style is not only beautiful, but offers practical ease for

tasks such as filling large pots or pitchers, and their prominence makes them a design focal point. Or try a highly functional, pullout faucet. Featuring multiple spray settings at your fingertips, these faucets make everything from watering plants to cleaning veggies a breeze.

Create Lovely Lighting

Lighting can totally change the look of the kitchen. Rather than overhauling the fluorescent ceiling fixtures, instead, simply accent your current lighting with stylish, new pieces. Swap the basic light fixture from above your kitchen table with a chandelier for a great focal point. To aid in tasks, add pendants lights above spots used most often. Or for an ambient glow, vintage wall sconces are a great addition to an Old-World kitchen or contrast in a modern kitchen. Finally, install dimmer switches to provide the perfect amount of light no matter what your activity.

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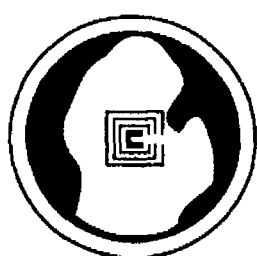
The final step for a comfortable and inviting kitchen is adding a seating area. Measure the area for the table and chairs and be sure that your selection has about three feet on all sides to allow room for movement. Depending on the style of your kitchen, choose a solid wood set for a warm, homey feel, or add a marble or glass table to complement a more modern décor. Next, add a beautiful centerpiece for a unique decorative accent and be sure that you have comfortable, upholstered seat cushions to encourage hours of chatting with friends, dining with family or a comfortable spot for kids to color, craft or do homework.

“While home improvement projects do involve dedication and patience, they pay off when you can enjoy your beautiful new room,” says Segrete. “With these updates, your kitchen will soon be transformed and you’ll have the satisfaction of knowing that you did it yourself without spending a fortune.”

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How to avoid big homeowner headaches this winter

(ARA) – Labor Day signifies that summer is quickly drawing to a close and that colder weather will soon be setting in over many parts of the country. For homeowners, the holiday also means they'll soon be facing a long list of home improvement and maintenance activities in preparation for winter.

Already time-starved homeowners can spend countless hours working on fall fix-up projects rather than enjoying what's left of the warmer weather. Add this to the increasing day-to-day activities Americans are facing, such as longer work hours, less vacation time and increased family and personal commitments, and you can see why there's a growing trend toward finding creative ways to balance work, family and the demands of owning a home.

If homeowners can't find the time to do the projects themselves, it's still best to take some preventative measures or consider hiring a professional now rather than waiting until a problem occurs in the dead of winter.

To help homeowners make the best use of their time and streamline their home winterizing tasks, Mr. Handyman, the largest employer of handymen with 250 locations nationwide, offers the following tips for improving your home's efficiency and avoiding costly winter problems:

Proper Insulation Is Key

Knowing the adequate amount and type of insulation for a home's attic and walls can save homeowners a significant amount of money. Seventy-percent of the average homeowner's energy bills during the winter are spent on electric heating costs, so it's easy to see why one of the biggest mistakes many homeowners can make is not taking the time to properly insulate.

Determining how much insulation you need is the first step. You'll want to consider, among other things, if your home is more than 10 years old, what type of home you live in, whether or not you have cathedral ceilings, if your home has a basement or if it's built on a slab, and how you heat and cool your home.

Also know that not all insulation is created equal. Insulation is identified and labeled by R-value. "R" stands for resistance to heat flow. The higher the R-value, the greater the insulating power so the colder the climate you live in, the greater the need for a higher R-value.

Crack Open the Caulk

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dows and doors. Once you've checked for any air leaks or drafts in your windows, apply caulk to seal any potential air leaks. Re-caulking your windows will help keep moisture out of your home. Snow and ice that thaw and then refreeze can wreak havoc if the water seeps into windows and settles on sills and ledges. A fresh lining of caulk will drastically reduce the potential of damaged windows. After caulking, you might want to take one step further and install weather stripping on the windows and doors. This will help further reduce drafts and also protect against water and moisture.

Make Plumbing Paramount

While failing to adequately winterize your windows and doors can potentially cost you a few hundred dollars a year, neglecting to insulate exposed piping can lead to burst pipes, which would cause significant damage to your home. Heating tape should be applied to all pipes that are at risk of freezing. Additionally, all exterior faucets should be drained and have their water source turned off.

Don't Forget the Furnace

One of the simplest tasks that many homeowners overlook is changing the filter in their furnaces. A new, clean filter will help the furnace run more efficiently, allowing more warm air to reach all the rooms in a home and saving home-

owner money by reducing heating costs. Because the furnace can run all winter long, make sure to check the filter at least once a month. The simple motto "change the filter on the first" is a great way to develop a pattern for checking the quality of the filter.

While these tips don't cover all the tasks that need to be completed to properly winterize your home, they should give you a good head start this fall. Remember, sufficiently winterizing your home does take time and money, however it will not only improve your quality of life in the short term, but in the long run will add value to your home.
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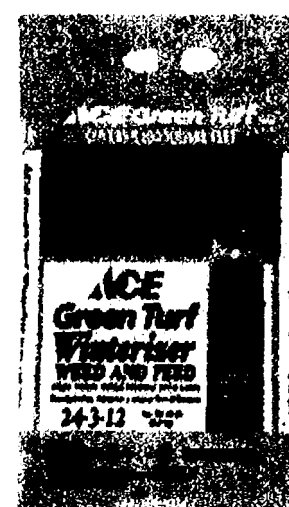
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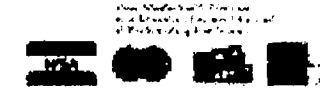
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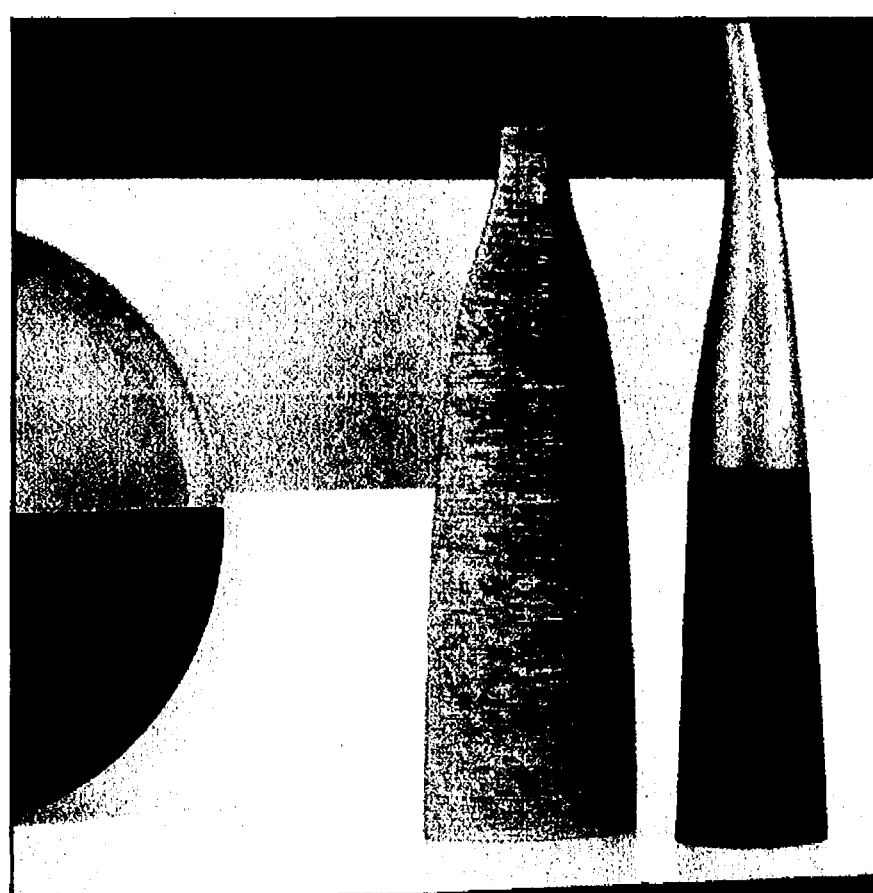


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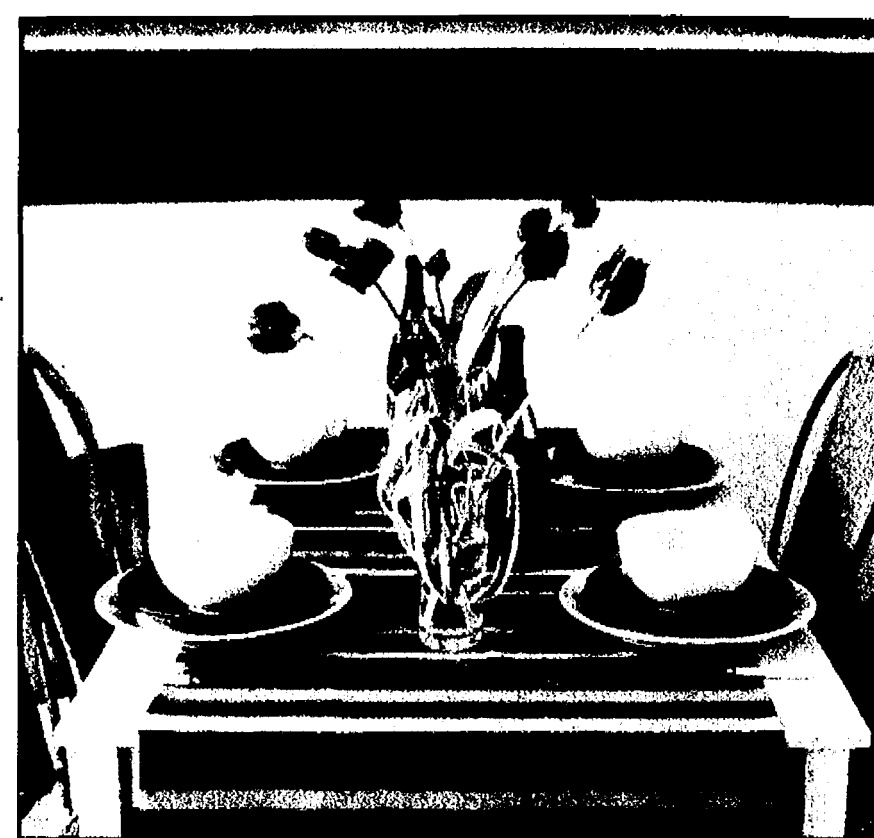
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The crewel color palette reflects consumers' returning interest in crafts, home cooking and family focused activities.

Individual flavors influence paint color trends

(HIT) – Fashion runways have long been the inspirational source for home furnishings and decorating color choices. Debbie Zimmer, paint and color expert with The Rohm and Haas Paint Quality Institute, shares 2008 trendy paint palettes.

"Consumers' increasing color confidence and personal style makes any color fashionable for 2008," Zimmer says. "From glass-like blues, botanical greens, dramatic black and white and whisper soft pink, color directions will drive towards individual self-expression, glamorous living experiences or an increasing awareness of important environmental causes."

Zimmer's Top Three Color Palette Choices for 2008:

Go Green

"Green may just become the newest 'neutral' color." Used as a subtle backdrop to reflect an enhanced eco-consciousness and social responsibility, green will be representative of the growing environmental movement. Mid-tone hues of fern, palm, pine and sage will be used on their own or coupled



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with clear blue or aqua to create a living space that conjures up a sense of outdoor-friendly living. Sandy tan and adobe brown can be intermingled to complete that earthy and eco-friendly feel.

While suitable for all areas of the home, these combinations are an especially good choice for bathrooms, kitchens and family living spaces.

Sophisticated Elegance

Gaining popularity in 2008, black and white paint hues will enhance opulent living spaces filled with accessories, lighting, mirrors and rich fabrics. Silver metallics and high sheen finishes along with rich textures benefit from the sophistication of this striking palette. Zimmer suggests, "For an unexpected color

punch, add cause related hues such as dramatic red or maintain the room's classic undertones with subtle pink or taupe."

Dramatic and sophisticated, black and white is becoming the backdrop of choice for glamorous spaces.

Master bedroom suites and living rooms are two of the spaces that can benefit from sophisticated elegance

Crewel Colors

Many consumers continue to strive for simplicity in their technology-driven overloaded lifestyle and seek a return to a gentler way of life. The crewel color palette reflects consumers' returning interest in crafts, home cooking and family focused activities. Like a rich and color filled needlepoint pattern these hues add a soulful and personalized feel to any space.

"Handcrafted items create a sense of stability and security and these warm, creamy rich colors will do the same in your space," says Zimmer.

Rich cranberry reds, warm browns, along with pumpkin orange help to create a nurturing and caring environment. Mix in deep-toned blue and the tapestry is complete.

Crewel colors remain an excellent choice for kitchen or dining areas and can be warming, like a knitted afghan, in family spaces.

"No matter which paint hue a palette attracts your individual attention, consumers continue to have an increased appreciation for paint quality and value. After all it's a personal choice for a personal space—your home," Zimmer says.

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The three R's for your roof this fall: review and repair or replace

(ARA) – Sandwiched between summer storms and winter snow, fall typically offers a nice break in the weather that's ideal for home repairs. To avoid heading into winter without the protection of a properly functioning roof, homeowners should use this season to assess their roof for damage and then prioritize any needed repairs. But, how do you evaluate your roof?

Neil Robinson of TAMKO Building Products, Inc. offers the following key components for a basic fall roof assessment:

1. Keep gutters and downspouts clean, allowing water to drain properly. This will help prevent water from backing up onto your roof.
2. Remove all debris, such as dirt, twigs and leaves, which blocks proper drainage. Trim any overhanging trees so that branches don't scrape or rest on your roof.
3. Check flashings around the chimney, stack vents and skylights. Wear-and-tear in these areas, as well as gathered water or debris build-up in valleys, can lead to leaks in your home.
4. Look for broken shingle tabs and loose or missing shingles and schedule routine maintenance.
5. Maintain ventilation on the roof to avoid heat build up in your attic, which can affect roof performance. Check to make sure vents are clear to allow proper airflow. Excessive heat build up in your attic space will also decrease your home's energy efficiency.
6. Consider consulting a professional roofing contractor for expert inspections or follow-up questions.

If you have an asphalt roof, you should assess for excessive granule loss. Some granule loss is common with asphalt roofs after severe weather, especially heavy rain or hail. Walking the rooftop for home repairs may also lead to granule loss. All new asphalt shingles will shed some "hitchhiker" or "rider" granules during shipping, application and the first couple of years in the roof's life. These are granules that were not embedded in the asphalt coating, but may have been wedged in between and on top of embedded granules. Older shingles will also lose granules as the roof ages normally over time.

According to Robinson, you should generally inspect shingles for areas of exposed asphalt, which accelerate the roof's aging and reduces curb appeal. "If the asphalt is still covered by granules, and the shingles are not cracked or punctured, your shingles should still be providing protection," he says.

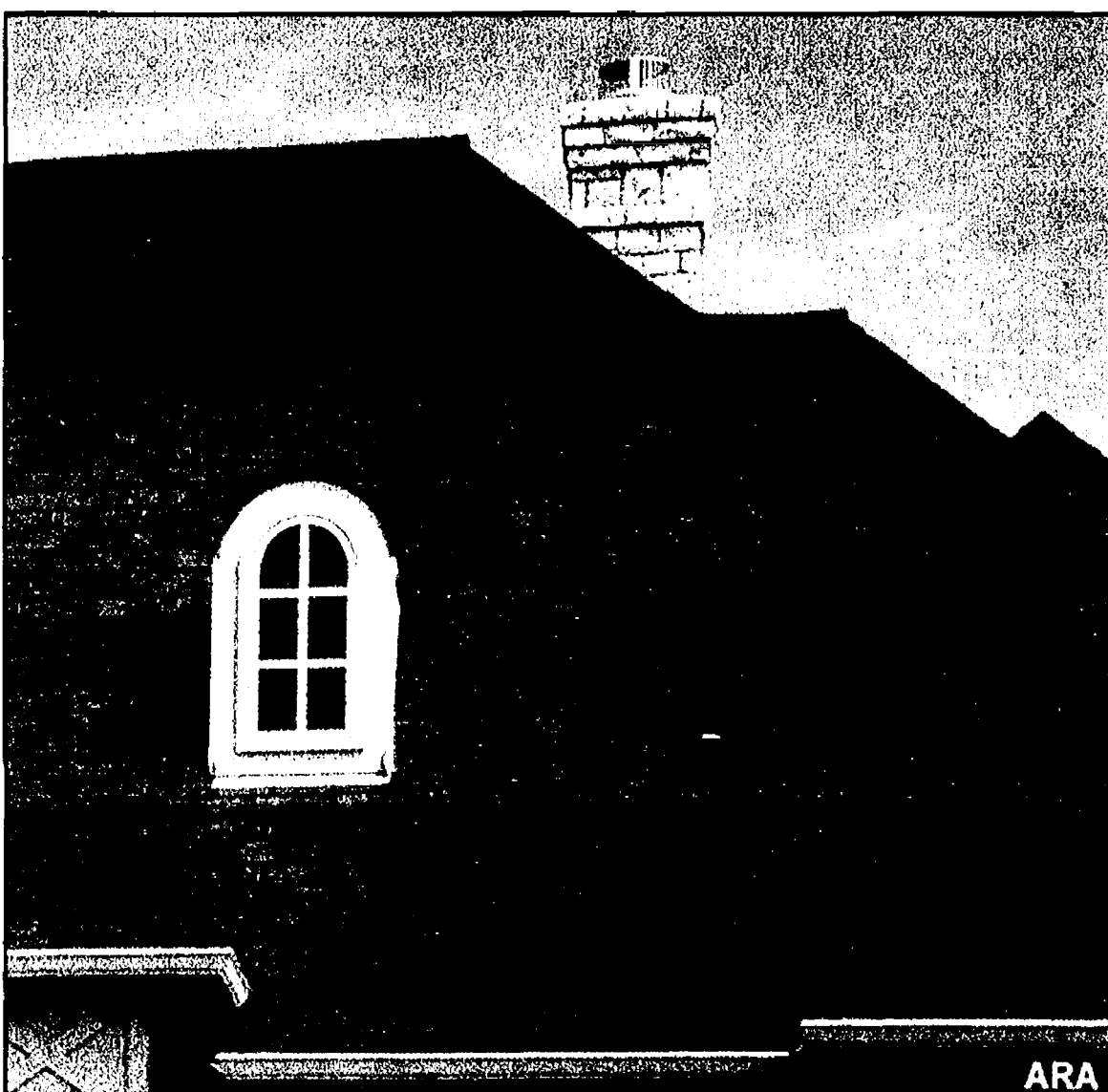
No matter what material makes up your roof, snow and ice can also cause severe damage. If you live in a region that receives a lot of snow and ice, you may want to consider adding snow guards to your roof to keep shingles intact as snow and ice melt. This will help prevent a rooftop avalanche and any subsequent damage.

If many of your shingles are severely damaged, it might be time for a new roof. Laminated asphalt shingles have traditionally been the first choice, but new residential shingle options are available. Composite shingles are extremely



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durable and high-performing and many homeowners are upgrading to this material when replacing their roofs.

To protect your investment in your home, roof repair or replacement should be a priority. And because not every roof repair project can be completed in a short time frame, it is important to inspect your

roof and start planning now. Make sure your roof will perform through winter and, if needed, develop a repair or re-roofing plan.

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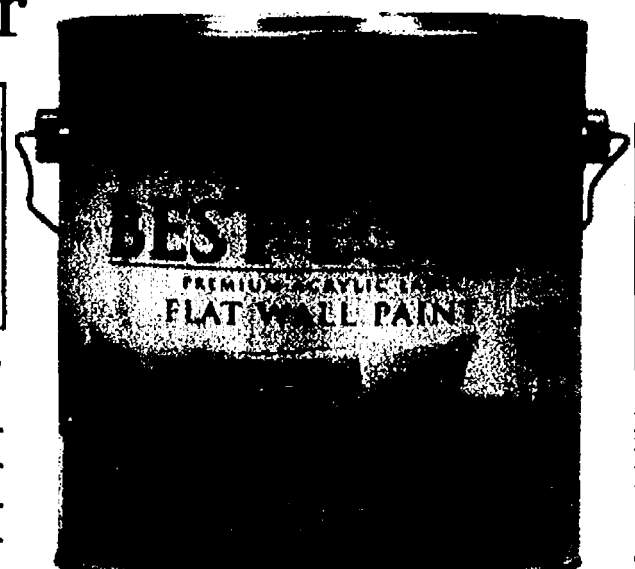
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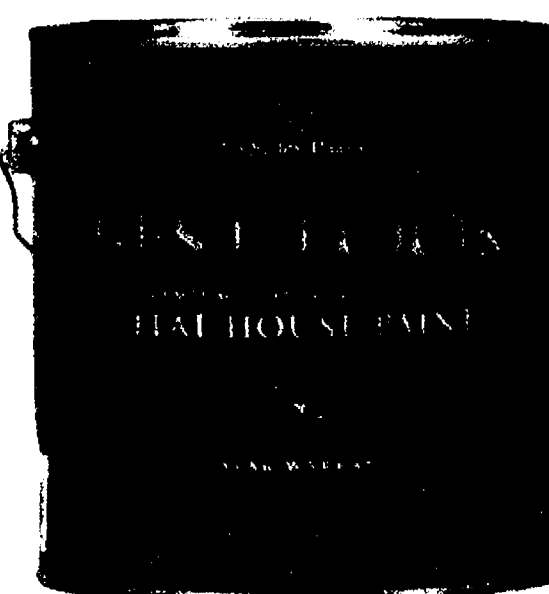
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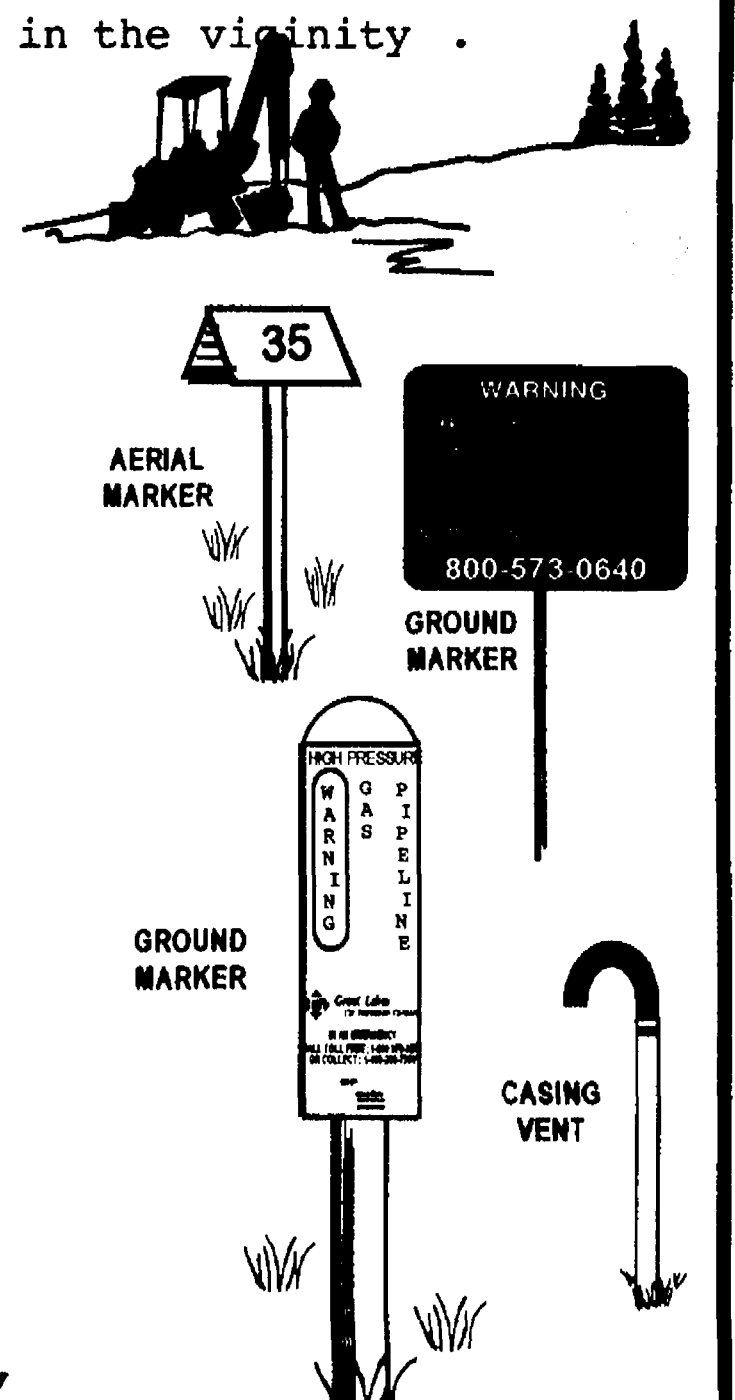
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One small decorating trick, one huge room improvement

(ARA) – Let's face it: Most of us can't resist a good home decorating show.

And after we've got a few episodes of "ReDesign," "Room by Room" or "Find Your Style" under our tool belts, we feel confident that we, too, can make equally inspired decorating changes in our homes. But where to start?

Here are some simple ways to make big home improvements from some of the nation's top designers and manufacturers:

Kenneth Ludwig – president and creative director of Kenneth Ludwig Home Furnishings, Ltd. in Chicago – is a huge proponent of textiles and fabrics. "The addition of two or three pattern fabrics in the same color story, along with different textures (throws) in great textures adds visual excitement to a room," says Ludwig. "It also softens the edges of the corners and hard lines, and warms up a room to make it more livable."

An additional fabric element that many people forget is adding small upholstered or slip-covered ottomans for additional seating or as decorative items to fill up a room. Ludwig also suggests a skirted table with an under skirt of a plain fabric (great solid color with no pattern) with an additional patterned fabric draped on top.

Decorative wallpaper murals can add pizzazz and personalization to any room. "Adding a wall mural can transform a room from 'fine' to 'fabulous,'" says Todd Imholte, president of Murals Your Way by Environmental Graphics. "The variety of styles lets you reflect your unique tastes and memories, whether it's with a sports motif in your son's room, a custom mural made from a family photo in your family room, or a wine theme in your kitchen. The possibilities are truly endless."

Steven Southgate couldn't agree more. As design supervisor for "Divine Design with Candice



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Olson," he has used wall murals several times on the show's room makeovers. According to Southgate, "the Birch Trees and Pebbles murals give a high impact graphic feel, while the Sequoia mural offers outstanding graphics and superb color."

Updating your window treatments can quickly change the look and feel of any room. Ian Gibbs, window treatment design expert and founder of TheShadeStore.com, recommends that your window treatment rod be hung a few inches above the window molding to visually extend the window's height and make the ceiling appear taller. To make windows look bigger and brighten a room, drapes should be hung "wide," outside of the actual window frame, so that when drapes are pushed back, the entire window is visible to maximize the amount of light let in.

Adding greenery is also a nice way to bring the outdoors in and give a feeling of life in a room. Melissa Galt – interior designer, author, speaker and owner of Melissa Galt Interiors – suggests you keep it simple by limiting silk florals to no more than one per room. Be more generous with greenery, placing fresh plants on every third shelf of a bookcase, on top of an armoire, or near a hearth

or fireplace. Containers can range from bright brass, silvery aluminum and sparkling glass to more casual ceramic or terra-cotta.

Think ceiling fans are just for summer? Think again. Switch the blade to reverse, and you can pull the hot air down from the ceiling and dramatically reduce your heating bills during the cooler months. Emerson Ceiling Fans product manager Zeynep McLeane sees dark colors and natural finishes as particularly popular this season, with dark finishes such as Oil Rubbed Bronze, Aged Walnut and Bronze Heritage nicely complementing existing dark touches throughout the home in furniture, hardware, plumbing and lighting fixtures.

Speaking of lighting, "jewelry" will be displayed on more than the human body this season. Kichler Lighting's new Light Accents come in 70 different designs, shapes and sizes – including classic teardrops, organic leaf-forms, grape clusters, beaded crystal strands and Swarovski crystal pendants. Attach them to your chandeliers, pendants, wall sconces, lamps, lamp shades – even curtain rods and candle holders – to add extra sparkle and let your room glow.

And no interior designer would dispute the value of a simple coat of paint to kick an already nicely designed room up a notch or two. Davis Remignanti of Furniture.com suggests selecting one wall of your room for a quick, total makeover using color and accent pieces.

"Paint the wall with a hue from today's trendy color palette, such as a deep, rich chocolate brown that will pick up the color from your furniture," suggests Remignanti. "Don't be afraid of dark colors for accent walls, especially in rooms with a lot of natural light. Then replace the existing artwork on the wall with a bold, grand scale piece such as the retro prints that are so popular these days, and swap your area rug for one that better picks up the tones in your upholstery."


"These small changes can take your room from already-beautiful to drop-dead gorgeous," he says.

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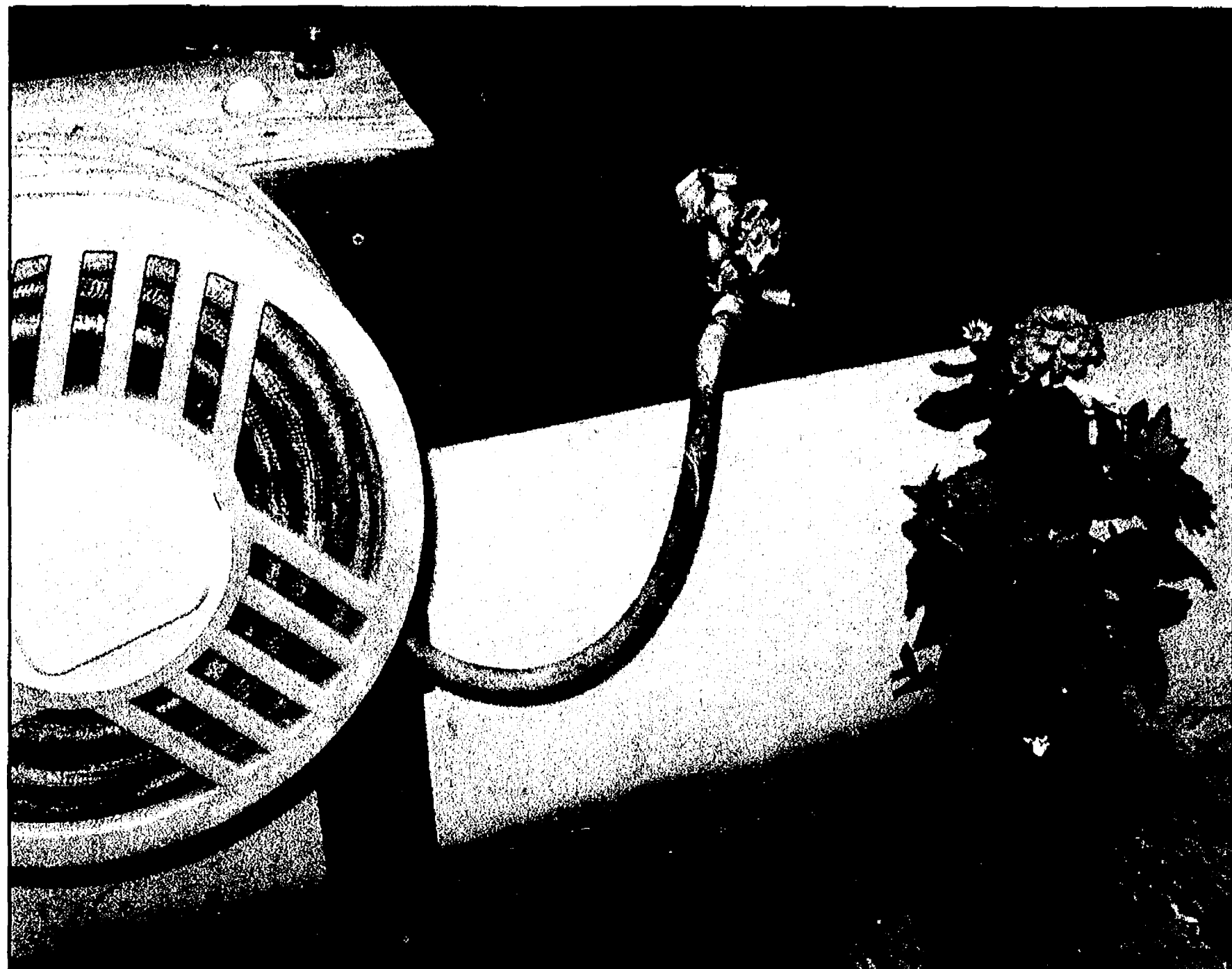


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Gardening and other chores are easier with multiple exterior water lines

(HIT) — The term "outdoor plumbing" may prompt unpleasant memories for anyone born before bathrooms moved indoors, but modern homeowners might want to consider adding exterior water service for convenience all around their homes.

Most homes are provided with just one water source for outdoor needs—typically a sillcock, or spigot, located near grade level on the side or back of the house. This single outlet is there to be used for a multitude of purposes, from watering lawns to gardening to washing the car.

Anyone who has ever dragged a garden hose around a yard to handle chores like these will see the value in installing additional outlets where they can be most useful. According to The Copper Development Association, most homes have copper plumbing, and it's not difficult or expensive to permanently extend plumbing lines already in place. Copper is recommended for both indoor and outdoor use. The convenience of having water wherever you need it makes this project more than worthwhile.

For example, if you do container

gardening on a deck or patio, having a water outlet close at hand enables you to run drip irrigation lines directly to each container without needing a garden hose when you want to water your plants. It also prevents having to monopolize the hose when it is needed for other chores elsewhere around the home. And once you install a permanent water line to this area, you can use it for other needs such as washing up after gardening or for food preparation if you barbecue or dine outdoors.

Homeowners who prize their lawns know that watering is often required, and having a dedicated outdoor spigot for this purpose can save both time and money. If your watering needs are intermittent, a separate spigot allows you to install a hose timer that you can set and forget, and never have to bother with connecting or removing the sprinkler hose. And if you have, or plan to install, an in-ground sprinkler system, a separate spigot is usually necessary.

For homes with sizeable properties, installing an underground water line and spigot at the far end of your yard can save you an enor-

mous amount of effort, and help you avoid buying extra lengths of garden hose and hose carriers.

Another good reason for installing additional sillcocks or spigots where you need them is to make outdoor cleanup easier in seasonal weather. In this case, you might consider running both cold and hot water lines to the outdoor faucet. Adding a second line is just as easy as the first. You can then use this outlet for an outdoor shower (especially useful if you own a pool), for washing cars, kids or the family dog, or for power-washing your home's siding or patio.

If you do install additional exterior water outlets, a few items of importance should be noted: Use freeze-proof sillcocks to prevent mishaps, if temperatures in your area can drop below 40 degrees. Always include a shutoff and drain valve for each exterior line in a frost-protected area such as a heated basement or garage. All water lines should be pitched at a slight angle so they will drain completely. Alternatively, compressed air may be used to purge water from the lines at the onset of winter or any time freezing may occur.

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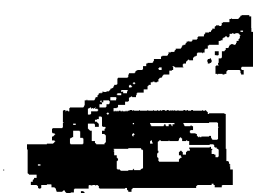
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Mold coalition helps homeowners control moisture, avoid mold

(HIT)—An Internet search reveals that there are more than 33 million sites one can visit to learn about controlling moisture and mold. Coming to the rescue of homeowners and builders alike who are looking for simple, understandable advice is the Responsible Solutions to Mold Coalition (RSMC), which recently announced its top 10 nominations for the best sources of information on mold prevention. These sources and a newly updated brochure on controlling moisture and mold are available through the Coalition's Web site (www.responsible moldsolutions.org).

What's encouraging about these various information sources is they support one fundamental message: If you control moisture, you'll control mold. That has been at the heart of what RSMC has communicated over the past year. There is a common misperception among homeowners and builders that water intrusion is inevitable and therefore mold-resistant products are the answer. This is simply not the case. While mold-resistant products can play an important role, dry buildings and homes are the result of careful design, construction and maintenance.

In evaluating the best sources of information on moisture/mold control, RSMC identified some of the most common errors that lead to water intrusion and mold growth:

- Wet building materials: Building materials are often improperly stored at the job site. They should not be delivered until it's time to install them, and while they're being stored, they should be off the ground and covered tightly with a tarp.
- Rushed building schedules that do not allow enough time for joint compound, tile grout, paint and sprayed foam insulation to dry adequately.
- Roofs that are designed in a manner that does not provide a clear pathway for water to move off of the roof and into gutters and down-



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The Responsible Solutions to Mold Coalition's Web site (www.responsible moldsolutions.org) provides a wealth of information about controlling moisture and mold.

spouts.

- Blocked gutters and downspouts that are improperly installed in a manner that directs water toward the house.
- Improper grading around the house that directs water into the basement.
- Water or waste pipes installed in exterior walls in northern climates as temperatures vary, condensation can form on pipes that are normally surrounded by insulation, making drainage impossible.
- Failure to place water-handling appliances such as dishwashers and washing machines in large pans that drain away from the house. These pans are commonly available at home improvement centers.
- Failure to replace washing

machines hoses. This is the leading insurance claim for water damage.

- Failure to replace water heaters every 10 to 12 years. Most homeowners wait until their water heater fails (and usually leaks). Deferred replacement is more costly in the long run.

• Lack of flashing around doors, windows, roofs and chimneys that safely channel water away from the house, and allow walls to dry out.

The Responsible Solutions to Mold Coalition is a consortium of building industry associations, academic and governmental bodies and companies, including USG Corporation and National Gypsum Company. More information is available at www.responsible moldsolutions.org.

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